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Dear parents/carers,

### Homework

We are always keen to gain parental feedback and try our best to act on it to improve what we are doing to ensure students at Flegg get the best learning experience possible. One thing that has been raised is that there has been some inconsistency around homework and how our young people engage with it. Parents have voiced that they are sometimes unsure what their child should be receiving in terms of homework and therefore find it difficult to support them with time management and completion of tasks.

This feedback, coupled with the increased knowledge base needed for GCSEs, has led to a revised homework setting arrangement. The aim of this is to ensure students, parents and carers are fully aware of what should be set, thus making time management and support much easier. In addition, we feel, as a school, that it is important that our students develop strong habits of focused homework, in order to develop the skills necessary for effective revision in preparation for their assessments and examinations.

All homework from September will be categorised as either consolidation or application, thus ensuring a balance between knowledge and use.

Some examples of 'consolidate' homework might be:

- Learning vocabulary in languages
- Learning formulae or practising a skill or method
- Learning key spellings
- Watch a you-tube video and find 3 key facts
- Revision for assessments

Some examples of 'apply' homework might be:

- Translation of text
- Creative writing
- Problem solving
- Practise exam questions

The schedule for each year group is attached, please note the times are for guidance only and not all homework will take the full time allocation to complete.



## Equipment

All pupils are expected to attend school ready to learn and this is aided by them coming fully equipped. Pupils are expected to have a pen, pencil, ruler and their planner at all times. In addition, a scientific calculator is needed for maths lessons.

Many thanks for your continued support enabling us to ensure the best outcomes for all students.

Kind regards



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