



31st March 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

Homework and Revision

I am writing to make you aware of important changes to our homework and revision processes for students, specifically during assessment periods. Our regular Student Voice meetings have raised student demand for greater guidance around revision. Taking this into consideration and after gaining further feedback from both students and staff, we are implementing an adjustment to how we approach revision during assessment periods, aimed at providing a more structured and supportive experience for all students.

Changes to the Homework and Revision Process:

In the past, our students have been guided to engage in independent revision, with homework removed during their assessment periods. While this method has been successful, we believe there is room for improvement to better support our students in achieving their full potential.

To this end, we are introducing a blended approach to revision during assessment periods. Moving forward, we will combine **revision-based homework** with **independent guided revision**. This new process is designed to ensure that students have the structure and resources they need, while still encouraging independent study skills.

The **revision-based homework** will provide specific tasks, resources, and guidelines related to the topics they are preparing for. This will give students more direction and allow them to focus their revision in a more targeted manner (whilst enabling staff to monitor engagement and implement targeted interventions where necessary). Alongside this, students will be given time to engage in independent guided revision, where they will have the freedom to review material at their own pace, with support from their teachers as needed.

We believe this new approach will offer the best of both worlds—providing structure and direction, while also encouraging independent learning. It also ensures that students are consistently reviewing material and are supported to develop effective revision habits in preparation for their assessments.

We appreciate your continued support and understanding as we make these changes. If you have any questions or would like more information about how this will be implemented, please feel free to reach out to myself (email below) or the Heads of Year.

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Thank you for supporting your child's revision and homework provision during their assessment periods.

Yours sincerely,

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