

Homework

All students in the academy are given homework in the EBacc subjects every week (i.e. English, Mathematics, Science, Humanities and MFL). Key Stage 4 students will also receive additional homework per week and may have substantial homework set in their option.

Types of homework

- **Knowledge Navigators** are used for the daily homework which is set in Lesson 1. Students should use *read, cover, write, check* to learn the content of a given section of their Knowledge Navigator. They are expected to fill a sheet of A4 paper from top left to bottom right, with no gaps, using this method. A green pen should be used to check they have recalled the information correctly. There is a video on the Dixons Cottingley website explaining how this homework is to be completed.
- **Additional homework** may be set by subject teachers where appropriate.
- **Stretch** presentations are given by students in Years 7 and 8 towards the end of each cycle. Students will need to spend time preparing their presentations.
- **Revision** will help prepare our students for their formal assessments twice per year.

Years 7 & 8 (up to 60 minutes per day)

Knowledge Navigator	Additional
French	RE or IT
Science	CA or PA
Geography or History	Stretch
English	
Spellings	
Hegarty Maths (Online)	

Year 9 (up to 90 minutes per day)

Knowledge Navigator	Additional
Geography or History	Option
Science	French
RE	History or Geography
English	English
Geography or History	Science
Science	
Spellings	
Hegarty Maths (Online)	



Year 10/11 (Y10 up to 90 minutes per day; Y11 minimum of 90 minutes per day)

Knowledge Navigator	Additional
Geography or History	Option A
Science	Option B
RE	Option C
English	English
Spellings	RE
Hegarty Maths (Online)	Science
	Maths

How to support with your child's homework

- Students should be completing 30 minutes DEAR (reading) each night and Hegarty Maths (from the website – the number of tasks may vary but should take, in total, approximately 30 minutes) in addition to the EBacc homework set in the student planners. It is important that you encourage your child to read challenging books. Your child's teachers will be able to help support the selection of a challenging book.
- Alongside reading, your child should be revising from his / her Knowledge Navigator every night. This book contains all the key knowledge your child needs to succeed in each subject. Every night, you can support your child by quizzing them on the section they have been learning. All your child needs to do is memorise the sheets in their Knowledge Navigator so you do not need to have any additional knowledge to support them with this.
- There are also two key websites that you can refer to for additional learning opportunities for your child. For mathematics, we recommend Hegarty Maths and for English, BBC Bitesize.