

Archbishop Tenison's Church of England High School: Year 8 Homework Information 2024-2025

The purpose of homework:

- Foster the ability to work independently
- Help pupils reflect on, and consolidate, what they have learned
- Move their learning beyond the confines of the classroom

Homework tasks should:

- Be related to the work in the classroom
- Be varied
- Be manageable
- Be challenging but not too difficult
- Promote self-confidence and understanding
- There should also be a clear system of rewards and recognition for good work
- There should always be clear guidance and support

Pupils are:

- Expected to complete homework according to the homework guide as this will establish good routines.
- It is the pupil's responsibility to access their homework in 'Teams Assignments' either at home or at school.

Year 8 Homework Completion Timetable

(This timetable is to support when you complete your homework. It is not the days that the homework is set on)

Homework Timetable Year 8				
Monday	Science	Theology	RS	
Tuesday	English	Technology Carousel	Drama	
Wednesday	Maths	Art	PE	Computer Science
Thursday	History	Geography	German	
Friday	Latin	French	Music	



All of your homework will be listed in the Assignments area of MSTeams. You must ensure you know your MSTeams password so that you can access the work, the completion instructions and the deadline.



If you have any questions or concerns about your homework you should initially see your subject teacher or the relevant Head of Department.



Use this QR code to view the Whole School Homework Guide – for all Years and Departments

Year 8 Homework Details

Subject	Head of Dept/Main teacher	No. of lessons per week	Max length of h/w in mins	Regularity of homework	Type of task set
Art	Miss Wren	1	30	Every fortnight	Artist research pages which would include finding out artist information, doing a copy of their favourite piece by the artist. Flip learning tasks.
Computer Science	Mrs Mahmud	3 lessons per week (as part of a carousel)	40	1 per week	Tasks related to the topic of study for the half term. It could include creating posters and presentations about topic of study, researching activities, completing online activities about data representation/conversions and algorithmic/computational thinking, completing online quizzes, creating spreadsheets, scratch programs, web pages, and basic python programs. Seneca is also used for setting homework tasks.
Drama	Mr Papisideris	1	40	Once a half term	Research related to the taught topic; learning lines from a play with the intention to perform; creating materials related to the taught topic (posters, storyboards, scripts); watching recorded theatre performances; revision for assessments and exams.
English	Mrs Jefferson	4	45	1 per week	Pre-reading materials for class. Creating a collage to depict learning. Researching a key topic, ready to feedback and further explore in class. Writing TEAL paragraphs to develop this skill and further explore a character or theme. Creating infographics to illustrate understanding. Preparing and developing essay plans, ready for a final assessment. Reviewing and revising an aspect of learning, ready to use in class. Reading for pleasure; we expect every pupil to be reading their own text at home. Reading additional texts to enhance and deepen understanding/knowledge of a topic.
Food and Nutrition	Mr Taylor	1 double lesson per week (part of a Carousel)	30	3 times per rotation	Research and investigations into the influences of the projects. Analysis and evaluation of equipment, methods and processes used within the practical lessons. Evaluations of performance throughout a project.
French	Miss Witherow	2	40	1 per week	Vocabulary learning from a glossary.
Geography	Mr Humphreys	2	40	1 per week	Answering questions to support and reinforce the learning from lessons. Researching information to feedback in class. Producing fact-files on key topics. Producing infographics and collages to illustrate understanding. Pre-reading materials for lessons. Revising learning for end of unit assessments.
German	Miss Witherow	2	40	1 per week	Vocabulary learning from a glossary.
History	Miss Philips	2	40	1 per week	Homework consists of a variety of tasks related to the topic being studied. It could be a written task

					based on the work completed in a lesson, a research task, online quizzes or a revision task for an upcoming assessment. Some tasks will extend students' knowledge beyond what is studied in lessons, for example researching what is happening in another country at the same time as the events being studied in lessons.
Latin	Mrs Di Carlo	1	40	1 per fortnight	Homework is centred on consolidating students' knowledge and understanding of Latin language. Most homework will be learning vocabulary or word endings in preparation for short tests in lessons. Students are encouraged to use Quizlet and should sign up for a free account. Quizlet is an online learning tool with flashcards and tests etc. Sometimes students will be set a written or creative task based on Roman Civilisation. When students have an upcoming assessment, they will be set revision for homework.
Mathematics	Miss Powell	3	60	1 per week	Tasks set online, usually on MyMaths. Pupils can be asked to work through a MyMaths lesson or watch a video on MathsWatch. Occasionally, revising for a test.
Music	Mr Williams	1	40	3 per half term	A range of listening and practical music making through our online platform – 'Focus on Sound'.
PE	Mr Herbert	1 double and 1 single lesson per week	n/a	Prior to exam	Revision homework is set in preparation for the end of year exam.
Product Design	Mr Taylor	1 double lesson per week (part of a Carousel)	30	3 times per rotation	Research and investigations into the influences of the projects. Analysis and evaluation of equipment, methods and processes used within the practical lessons. Evaluations of performance throughout a project.
Religious Studies	Mr Archer	1	20	Generally weekly, but sometimes longer tasks are set over a 2/3 homework period	Additional challenge tasks to extend learning done in class, Project work over more than one week, Revision and preparation for end of unit tests.
Science	Mr Bowers	3	30	1 per week	Topic related worksheets, Seneca online tasks, CGP Science Workbook questions, mind map revision activities, creating revision resources e.g. flash cards
Theology	Mr Archer	1	20	Generally weekly, but sometimes longer tasks are set over a 2/3 homework period	In Theology we set additional challenge tasks to extend learning done in class as well as project work over more than one week, revision and preparation for end of unit tests.