

BHS Home Learning Guide

Advice for parents

Why should students complete home learning?

Home learning supports and consolidates classroom learning, fostering good study habits for senior years and provides opportunities for students to be responsible for their own learning. Research studies have shown that in secondary school, regular completion of student learning

Home learning encompasses two key components:

- x Homework: Teacher directed learning tasks. This can include completion of class work, assignments, practice questions and reading of novel chapters.
- x Study: Student directed learning. This includes revision, previewing information, creating mind maps, summarising key ideas and independent practice tasks.

Home learning guidelines

Middle years (7, 8 and 9)

Homework

The key focus of homework in the middle years is to support literacy and numeracy skills. The key homework tasks set should be:

- x Math Pathways modules.
- x Reading a chapter of a novel for English.
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Senior years (Year 10, 11 and 12)

Homework

Teachers are likely to set regular homework tasks. These teacher-directed tasks can include:

- x Pre-reading or previewing content prior to learning a topic in class.
- x Practice questions to consolidate classroom learning.
- x Completing assignments or research tasks.
- x Reading books, articles, or textbooks to support classroom learning.

Study

Students should be doing this regularly to help remember and review the concepts covered in class. Study strategies students could utilise include:

- x Self-directed completion of practice exam-style questions.
- x Writing summaries of what has been covered.
- x Creating glossaries

Advice for parents

There are several ways you can support your child with home learning.

x Teams

Encourage your child to regularly check Microsoft Teams. This is where homework expectations will be communicated to students.

x Absence

Home learning does not replace absence from school. If your child is away, please

contact the school to catch up on work.

x Routine

You may like to support your child by creating a regular homework routine at home to help them develop good study habits as they move through secondary school.