

Homework expectations for pupils and parents

Business Studies

The Business Studies Department supports the principles and guidelines contained within the Tring School Home Learning Policy.

At KS4 and 5 pupils can expect to get at least one past examination question and one test on subject content every four weeks. For past examination questions any pupil obtaining a result more than a grade lower than their target grade will be required to re-do part or all of the question.

In addition to the above there are also likely to be other occasional exercises such as independent research, note taking, presentation preparation etc.

At KS5 there will also be set reading and exercises based on current and topical business issues. Furthermore, KS5 pupils are expected to keep abreast of the current business climate by reading a quality news paper, watching appropriate TV programmes such as the Money Programme, perusing topical business websites and/or reading business journals/magazines. Newspapers and journals are available in the School's Learning Centre.

ICT

At KS3 there is no formal homework requirement. The Department supports pupils in their use of ICT in order to complete other departments' homework. The ICT department will ensure that pupils have the skills (Word, Excel, Powerpoint etc) in order that they can complete their homework from other subjects more effectively. The ICT department will work with the Home Learning co-ordinator to ensure that the use of ICT is facilitating the completion of homework efficiently and effectively.

At KS4 homework will be a regular requirement as part of the new GCSE course.

At KS5 there is a heavy coursework commitment. Homework is personalised dependent on student progress and centres around coursework completion.

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At KS3 (Year 7 and Year 8) there is an expectation that pupils will be given homework every fortnight. The types of homework range from completing classwork, researching information and completing assessment tasks.

At KS4 (Year 9 and Year 10) homework will rarely be set except when deemed necessary by the teacher and in preparation for assessments.

At KS5 pupils are expected to complete 5 hours of study and this will be based around personal learning which includes the preparation of notes and the writing of essays.