



The Thomas Lord Audley School

Guidance on Homework

Homework is set regularly as we believe that this supports students' learning and gives the opportunity to work independently on topics which have been covered in class. For the majority of subjects, students will be set 30 minutes of homework every week at KS3 and an hour at KS4. For lessons, where students only have a lesson once a week, then homework is set on a less frequent basis.

In order to encourage students to develop Growth Mindset skills and to fulfil their potential, homework tasks are set linked to our Homework Profile criteria (see attached copy of the Homework Profile below). This means that teachers set tasks which enable students to meet the criteria required for HP levels 4-6 and homework is marked against the level of effort put into the task. All students are able to achieve HP levels 4-6.

Students are also assessed half termly and given an HP level for each of their subjects. For those students who do not have an average of HP4 or above, additional support and monitoring will be put in place. In addition to this there is a Homework Club, based in the Learning Academy which welcomes students who might need additional assistance to receive extra support with their homework.

The school also operates an online homework diary on Go4Schools and parents and students have access to this to check homework that has been set. A guide on how to access Go4Schools can be found in the Year 6 Transition area of the school website.

Students will be required to:

- Record tasks set in their planner and record "none set" if no task is set.
- Spend sufficient time on the completion of tasks.
- Hand homework in on time.
- Check Go4Schools regularly.
- Show their planner to parents/carers/their tutor and relevant teachers each week.
- Attend detentions set by their teacher if they do not complete the homework set.

Parents/Carers will support:

- Encourage and monitor homework and inform their child's teacher if an issue arises.
- Log into and monitor the homework set for their child on Go4Schools regularly.
- Check and sign students' planners weekly.
- Aim to provide a quiet place for their child to work on homework at home.
- Support the school by ensuring their child attends detentions given for non-completion of homework

See the Homework Profiles below

HP	What does it mean?
6	I go above and beyond so... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I always complete HW on time • I always take challenges set in HW • I go above and beyond what is expected • My HW is original and independent • I check SPAG to the best of my ability • My HW is always well presented
5	I always... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I always complete HW on time • I usually take challenges set in HW • I show a high level of effort in completing my HW • My HW is original and independent • I check SPAG to the best of my ability • My HW is always well presented
4	I almost always... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I almost always complete HW, usually on time • I sometimes take challenges set within HW • I show a good level of effort in completing my HW • I use a range of resources for supporting my HW • I check SPAG to the best of my ability • My HW is well presented
3	I sometimes... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I sometimes complete HW on time • My HW is not of the required standard expected • I do not take any challenges set in HW • I do not carefully check SPAG to the best of my ability • My HW is poorly presented
2	I rarely: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • complete HW • put effort into trying to complete HW • present my homework neatly • Attempt any challenges • complete HW without extra time and support
1	I never complete HW

These are the minimum expectations of the school, and it should be noted that scores consistently below HP4 might result in further intervention and support for the student, in order to make learning more effective and in line with school expectations.