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Dear Parent/Guardian

English Homework

In response to feedback from parents and students on homework and its usefulness, the English department has adjusted the way in which we set homework at KS3.

Your son/daughter will no longer be set homework on a weekly basis by individual teachers. Instead, homework task sheets will be given out at the start of each half term. These task sheets directly relate to the topic of each half term's study in English, and also provide opportunities for students to extend and develop their learning according to skills that they will need in lessons and at GCSE.

Each student will be responsible for completing **one** task every week, and bringing in evidence of this to each deadline lesson, which their teacher will arrange with them. Homework should be completed on paper; it can be typed or handwritten. Homework folders will remain in school for students to add their task to each week. Failure to complete any homework in a week, or failure to produce homework that indicates an acceptable standard of work, will result in sanctions; **it is the students' responsibility to ensure that homework is completed to a high standard and is handed in on time.**

Task sheets are organised into different levels of challenge. Students may choose which tasks they complete each week, but they must also ensure that they complete **at least one from each row** each half term.

Task sheets for this half term can be found attached to this letter. They will be given to students individually too, and fixed into their homework planners. Spare sheets, if originals are misplaced, are available from any English teacher, on display in the English corridor, and are also available on the school's website.

We hope that students will recognise the need to take responsibility for their own learning.

Kind regards

Mrs N Peirson

Head of Communications Faculty