

Kettering Buccleuch Academy Science Homework Policy

Regularly completing homework is an essential part of learning at Kettering Buccleuch Academy. Homework can be set for many purposes but some of the main aims are to assess and monitor students learning, consolidate learning, develop valuable research skills, promote independent study and to stretch more able students.

Students will be set homework according to one of the policies below. These vary because of the number of lessons a student will have in different subjects in different Academy years. If you have any concerns or questions about your child's homework please do not hesitate to contact the relevant person via their email address below. Alternatively you can phone the Academy on 01536 515644.

Years 7 and 8

In Year 7, students will receive one piece of homework a week. Some of these homeworks will be assessments vital for measuring attainment of students in various stages of the Year 7 course. Because of the importance of homework as an assessment tool deadlines will be strictly enforced. This homework should take between 30 and 60 minutes to complete. Extended pieces of homework may be set over holidays or as a project during a term.

In year 8 students will receive one piece of homework in Science every week. This homework should take between 30 and 60 minutes to complete. Extended pieces of homework may be set over holidays or as a project during a term.

If you have any concerns or questions about homework please email the Head of Science for the Development Phase, Mr A Johnson, at Andrew.Johnson@ketteringbuccleuch-academy.org.

Years 9 to 11

In these academic years every student will receive one piece of homework in Science every week. This homework should take between 30 and 60 minutes to complete. Extended pieces of homework may be set over holidays or as a project during a term. If your child is entered for examinations in November, January, March or June then revision materials may form part or all of their homework during these times.

Students taking a GCSE course in Science will be given a workbook in which to complete most of these homework tasks. We have purchased these for all students who need them. If they lose their workbook then they cost £4.95 to replace and can be purchased from school, most bookshops or online. Students will be expected to attend detentions for all their homework until a replacement is purchased.

If you have any concerns or questions about homework please email the Head of Science for the Extension Phase, Mr I Holmes, at Iain.Holmes@ketteringbuccleuch-academy.org.

Years 12 and 13

In these academic years every student will receive one piece of homework in Science every week. This homework should take between 30 and 60 minutes to complete. In addition to this it is expected that each student will do a minimum of 3 hours independent study every week. This is essential to ensure every student meets or exceeds their target grade. If your child is entered for examinations in November, January, March or June then revision materials may form part or all of their homework during these times.

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