



Beckfoot Upper Heaton Homework policy

At Beckfoot Upper Heaton, our setting of homework is underpinned by three key ideas:

1. Homework consolidates learning that has taken place in school and is relevant to the curriculum. It gives students a chance to practice and reinforce skills and knowledge that they have acquired in class. This independent learning helps students to make progress.
2. All students can access homework. Homework provides an appropriate level of challenge for all students and enables everyone to succeed. Homework does not cap our students but gives them an opportunity to extend their learning.
3. Homework enables students to develop and build resilience, independence, creativity, inquisitiveness, and confidence. This helps our students to become life-long learners.

Homework will often utilise the Knowledge Organisers given to students. This knowledge will then be tested in recall activities during morning meetings in school.

All students are expected to complete homework weekly. Detentions will be issued for non-completion of homework.

All homework is recorded by the students in their planners.

Homework: Subject summary KS3

Subject	Typical Activities	Duration of activities	Frequency	Feedback	Additional support/materials
English	Literacy 1-5 Extended writing	45 minutes each week	Set each week by the English teacher	Literacy 1-5 is self-assessed in lesson. Extended writing is red/amber/green rated by teacher AtL1 on Class Charts for excellent work	BBC Bitesize English Knowledge Organisers Book in the Bag – reading book
Maths	Online tasks set on MathsWatch.co.uk and all students have their log in details	30-60 minutes each week	Set each week by maths teacher	Auto marked and feedback given on online platform	https://www.mathsgenie.co.uk/ https://corbettmaths.com/ Maths Knowledge Organisers
Science	Currently: recall and retrieval-based homework Proposed: online task set in Educake – 1 hour per week	30-60 minutes 60 minutes	Every two weeks Every week	Self-assess homework on due date Auto assessed using online platform	Science knowledge organisers and BBC Bitesize
Languages	Introducing predominantly vocabulary learning. Students to receive vocabulary trackers comprising the top 60 words for the topic in question	30 minutes	Once every two weeks	Key vocabulary incorporated into lessons and tested.	Vocab lists
Geography	Use of knowledge organisers- a quiz task, a key words task using look, cover, write & check and also highlight and encourage students to engage in reading around the topic by identifying a book to read/ website to have a look at.	30 minutes	Once every 2 weeks	Key words/ knowledge from quizzes tested in 'do now' activities.	Knowledge organisers BBC Bitesize Reading list- attached to the task linking in with the SOL KS3_Reading_Suggestions.pdf (geography.org.uk) BCC news – keep up to date

History	Use of knowledge organisers – short written task and knowledge recall quiz	30 minutes	Once every 2 weeks	Quiz in lessons/do now activities	BBC Bitesize Knowledge Organisers
RE	Use of knowledge organisers –key words/ quizzes – knowledge retrieval	30 minutes	Once every 2 weeks		BBC Bitesize
Creative and technical faculty	homework is not formally set other than for end of unit assessments at which point students are asked to prepare and revise, using knowledge organisers and class notes.	30-60 minutes	Week prior to end assessments		Knowledge organisers Class work / notes

Homework subject summary KS4

Subject	Typical Activities	Duration of activities	Frequency	Feedback	Additional support/materials
English	Literacy 1-5 Extended writing	45 minutes each week	Set each week by the English teacher		BBC Bitesize English Knowledge Organisers Book in the Bag – reading book
Maths	Online tasks set on MathsWatch.co.uk and all students have their log in details	30-60 minutes each week	Set each week by maths teacher	Auto marked and feedback given on online platform	https://www.mathsgenie.co.uk/ https://corbettmaths.com/ Maths Knowledge Organisers
Science	Currently exam-style questions Proposed: online task set on educake – 1 hour per week in combination with exam style questions	30-60 minutes 60 minutes	Every two weeks Every week	Self-assess homework on due date Auto assessed using online platform. Self-assesses exam-style questions using mark scheme	Science knowledge organisers and BBC Bitesize CGP AQA GCSE Revision Guide

Languages	Key vocab practice and exam practice – use of revision guides/revision packs. Revision question cards	45-60 minutes	Every week		Revision guides Revision packs
Geography	Focuses on knowledge retrieval activities and exam questions. Students gave revision packs for relevant units with tasks to complete	45 minutes – 1 hour	Every week		Revision guides Tutor2you – links to revision webinars on YouTube Home – internet geography Knowledge organisers Revision packs
History	Focuses on knowledge retrieval activities and exam questions. Students have revision packs for relevant units with tasks to complete.	45 minutes – 1 hour	Every week		Revision guides Knowledge organisers Revision packs
RE	Focuses on knowledge retrieval activities on previous units – use of revision packs incorporating unit knowledge organisers and revision activities and exam questions.	45 minutes – 1 hour	Every week		Revision booklets Revision guides
Creative and technical	Students are set homework for the theory units at the	30-60 minutes	After every theory-based lesson		Online package used to support home learning
Creative and technical Faculty – Computer Science	End of each lesson, to be completed for the following lesson. The homework set is usually to watch a video and make notes when instructed on content that is going to be delivered the following lesson.				Online videos

Creative and technical faculty – Creative media and enterprise	Varies depending on the unit being completed and assessment. For exam units, exam questions, tasks from knowledge organisers have been set previously.	45-60 minutes	As required		Exam questions Knowledge organisers Revision book – if provided
Creative and technical faculty – OCR Sport	Homework is now set on class charts and also students are expected to attend period 6 when asked to do so.	30-60 minutes	As required		Exam questions Knowledge organisers Class Charts
Creative and Technical Faculty – Art/engineering	Students have been provided with 'packs' to support homework and home learning. They are asked to complete tasks and additional work to support their portfolio of evidence.	40-60 minutes (but can vary)	Art ongoing portfolio development Engineering – as set		Packs provided Task sheets/art book Exam questions Knowledge organisers