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Dear Parent / Carer

Homework

We are making a few small changes to homework at Hartshill Academy so we have homework that continues to focus on recall of knowledge and learning. We know that research about memory and learning shows that we learn what we think about. We know that we lose new learning if we don't practice recalling it. We use quizzes, in class and at home, to ensure we develop the retrieval strength of new knowledge.

Homework at Hartshill Academy

- We use subject platforms for completing homework assignments including Sparx Maths, Educake and Reading Plus
- All homework is set on Monday morning and is due the following Monday.
- The class teacher, subject leaders, the HART Coach and SLT will monitor pupil progress.

The homework set for each subject will be:

	Year 7, 8 & 9	Year 10 & 11
English	Knowledge Organiser and Reading plus	Knowledge Organiser
MFL	Knowledge Organiser Quiz and spelling tests	Knowledge Organiser Quiz
Maths	Sparx Maths	Sparx Maths and exam papers
Science	Knowledge Organiser & Educake	Knowledge Organiser & Educake
History	Knowledge Organiser & Educake	Knowledge Organiser & Educake
Geography	Knowledge Organiser & Educake	Knowledge Organiser & Educake
RE	X	Exam Paper
PE	X	GCSE & OCR exam papers
Music	X	Homework as needed on PSA
Drama	X	Homework as needed on PSA
Art	X	Research and preparation
Food	X	Exam papers and PSA work

All pupils should now have their login details for Sparx, Reading Plus and Educake, however, if they are unsure they can check with their HART Coach. If your child does not have access to a phone, laptop, desktop computer or tablet then please make their HART Coach aware this week via Weduc. Please encourage your child to engage with homework throughout the week and have supportive conversations about the importance of completing homework.

Years 10 and 11

Pupils in Years 10 and 11 will also have subject specific work which may include:

- Portfolio work
- Exam style written questions
- Exam papers
- Further reading on topics

We reward and celebrate with all pupils who do complete this homework and develop good routines in preparation for their GCSEs.

If you have any questions or concerns about homework please email

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Many thanks,



Mr D Showler

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