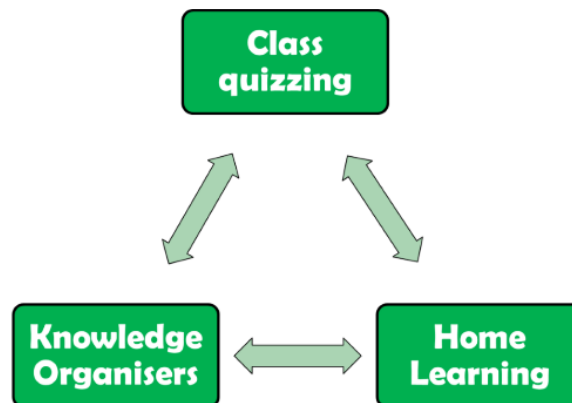


4th September 2020

Dear Parent / Carer

Homework

At The George Eliot School we have homework that focuses on recall of knowledge. 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 The George Eliot School

- Homework assignments are set on Microsoft Teams by the class teacher
- We also use subject platforms for completing homework assignments including Hegarty Maths and Educake. The assignment on Microsoft teams will link to the site the pupils need to use for their homework.
- Homework set using forms are usual ten quiz questions. Answers can be found in the knowledge organiser.
- All homework is set on Monday morning and is due the following Monday.
- A Learning Catch Up (LCU) will be given for any pupil who does not complete their homework. LCUs are 30 minutes at the end of the school day. LCUs are about supporting pupils to build routines, revision skills and encourage independent learning. The retrieval practice approach is designed to support pupils with the new demanding GCSEs which rely heavily on the recall of key information.
- The class teacher, the Directors of Learning, the form teacher and SLT will monitor pupil progress.

During the first week all pupils will be given their new email address which ends @StuMidlandAt.co.uk. All pupils have a school email and a Microsoft 365 account. In addition to this all pupils have login details for Hegarty and Educake websites.

Links to their emails, Microsoft 365 account, Hegarty and Educake are available on the school website. <http://www.george-eliot.warwickshire.sch.uk/links>

To support your child please can you check that they can find and access the following platforms from home.

- School emails
- Microsoft Teams
- Hegarty Maths
- Educake
- GCSE Pod – Years 10 and 11

If you have any questions or concerns about homework this week please email lorraine.taylor@midlandat.co.uk

The homework set for each subject will be:

English	Vocabulary using Frayer models and quizzes on Microsoft Forms – every week
MFL	Seneca and quizzes on Microsoft Forms - every week
Maths	Hegarty - every week
Computer Science	Quizzes on Forms - every week
Science	Educake - every week
History	Quizzes on Microsoft Forms - every week
Geography	Educake - every week
RE	Quizzes on Microsoft Forms – every week
PE	Quizzes on Microsoft Forms - three week cycle
Music	Quizzes on Microsoft Forms - three week cycle
Drama	Quizzes on Microsoft Forms - three week cycle
Art	Homework booklet containing quizzes and drawing - every week
DT	Quizzes on Microsoft Forms - every week
Food	Quizzes on Microsoft Forms - every week

Years 10 and 11

In Years 10 and 11 pupils will have homework as they have always done but in addition to this they will also have subject specific work which may include:

- Portfolio work
- Exam style written questions
- Exam papers
- GCSE Pod
- 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 please contact lorraine.taylor@midlandat.co.uk.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "L Taylor".

Miss L Taylor
Vice Principal