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Dear Families

In order to support and enhance successful learning, and as part of our continued commitment to improving student progress, Thorns Collegiate Academy will ensure that every student receives regular and challenging homework.

Homework not only reinforces classroom learning, but having a positive approach to completing homework can help young people to develop the skills and attitudes that they need for successful life-long learning. If done well, it promotes independent learning skills, leading to more effective revision for external exams. Homework also helps teachers to assess how much of the class work students have understood and can apply, so that they are better able to plan for progression.

Homework can cover a variety of activities such as research, reading, revising for a test and many others. Students at the Academy will often be asked to complete a task in preparation for a lesson and this ensures that learning time in lessons is used effectively.

The Academy will support students in completion of homework by providing access to computers and the use of the library outside of normal lesson time.

Our policy follows the recommendations for duration of homework made by the Department of Education, as follows:

 Years
 7 & 8:
 45 – 90 minutes per day

 Year
 9:
 60 – 120 minutes per day

 Years
 10 & 11:
 90 – 120 minutes per day

The homework timetable, published on our website, outlines the expected frequency of homework set across each year group to ensure that all students are able to organise their work and the amount set consistently throughout the week. If you have any queries about homework please contact your child's form teacher.

We expect all students to record homework in their planners as these will be checked by Form Teachers on a weekly basis. We welcome your support in ensuring that your child completes homework to a high standard and on time.

Yours faithfully

Mrs R Clancy Assistant Principal Mr M S Kelay Principal

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 7	L4L	L4L	L4L	L4L	L4L
	Art – all groups to complete Flipped Learning tasks. Complete Homework	Science 7X	Science 7Y	WL 7Y	
	skills booklet.	WL 7X			
Year 8	L4L	L4L	L4L	L4L	L4L
	Art – all groups to complete Flipped Learning tasks. Complete Homework	English	WL8Y	Maths 8Y	Maths 8X
	skills booklet.	Science 8X			Science 8Y
		WL 8X			
Year 9	History X1, X2, X3, X4	Ethics X3	English	Geography	History Y3
	Ethics X2, Y1	Year 9 – Computer Science – 9XIT2	History Y1 Ethics Y2, Y3, X1	History Y2c	Ethics X4
	Science - 9X	Maths	Year 9 – Computer	Science – 9y WL 9X	Year 9 – Computer
	Ethics teachers will expect students		Science – 9YIT1 9XIT3		Science – 9XIT1
	to watch the news regularly or read a				/////
	news article. History teachers expect students to review and revise the		WL 9Y		
	subjects that they have studied				
	Year 9 – Computer Science – 9YIT3 / 9YIT2 / 9XIT4				
	Art – all groups to complete Flipped Learning. Complete Homework skills booklet.				
Year 10	Geography	History teachers will expect teachers to	Year 10 ICT Option A	English	WL OPTION A&C
	Art – All option groups A, B, C to complete all artist research, finish	review and revise the subjects that they	Science –10X &Y	Year 10 Computing	Business A &
	tasks and independently research	have studied	Maths – 10Y	Option B	C
	their project. Drawing tasks set weekly.	Year 10 ICT Option B	Art	Maths 10X	
Year 11	History Option A	English Lang History Option B & C	Geography	Year 11 ICT Option B	English Lit
	Ethics Option A		Business C		WL Option B
	History and Ethics teachers will expect teachers to review and revise	Year 11 Computing – Option B			Business D
	the subjects that they have studied Art – Option groups A and B to be	Year 11 ICT – Option			
	completing their Portfolios covering 4 Objectives.	С			
	Drawing tasks set. Year 11 Computing – Option A	Science – All 11			
	Maths				
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