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Dear Parent/Carer

Homework at Bournville All through school is important, it enables your child to refresh skills they have previously been taught ready to meet them again, and to practice work they are currently doing in class. As we are heading towards their Mock Exams which will begin WC 9th November, we are sending a reminder of our Homework expectations to help support their preparation.

Research by the Education Endowment Fund (EEF) has taken place around the country and it has been shown to improve student success by up to 5 months, keeping them up to date with current work in school and retaining what they have been taught.

Your child will have up to two pieces of homework available to complete each night and they should last up to 1½ hours per subject in Year 11. Maths, English and science set homework once each week and students have one week to complete it. All other subjects are option subjects and are set twice a week with a week to complete each piece – your child's subject teacher will provide them with the date that their homework is due, and this should be entered by your child into their planner.

In additional to homework tasks set on Sparx there will be additional 'Fix-Up' tasks to do where their teachers have identified additional gaps in knowledge; these tasks will be in addition to the Homework set.

The timetable below shows when the homework should be available on Satchel:One or on Sparx (maths and science) for your child.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 11	**2 x 1½ hours** **English** **Literature** Option Block A	**2 x 1½ hours** **Science** Option Block B	**2 x 1½ hours** **Maths** Option Block C	**2 x 1½ hours** Option Block A Option Block B	**1 x 1½ hours** Option Block C

We have a homework policy which is reviewed each November and is available on the school website which gives further details. I have also included a copy with this letter.

There are useful websites such as Bitesize Parents' Toolkit - advice for parents from BBC Bitesize which is a useful website full of information for parents/carers. Homework: How to help your child without too much stress - BBC Bitesize is an article gives some useful tips for you and will help you support your child to do their Homework tasks.

We hope that you find this useful.

Kind regards,

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