

Dear Parents and Carers,

26th September 2022

Home Learning Expectations

At BMS we are a research-led school and know that our method of home learning for our new pupils is a little different to what they are used to. We provide pupils with knowledge organisers, these KOs provide key knowledge that the pupils will be able to utilise within their lessons. It is really important that pupils begin to practice and develop their cognitive strategies to be able to retrieve key knowledge.

KS2 Expectations	KS3 Expectations
6 pieces of retrieval practice over 2 weeks	9 pieces of retrieval practice over 2 weeks
30 minutes on each piece	30 minutes on each piece
Total 3 hours	Total of 4.5 hours
30 minutes of TT Rockstars weekly	30 minutes of TT Rockstars weekly
Daily reading	Daily reading

It is your child's responsibility to ensure they have the correct knowledge orangisers and an appropriate study guide to complete their home learning in. Their form tutor is happy to help if they let them know what they need support with.

Home learning is checked fortnightly on a Monday by their form tutor and we do expect that the correct amount is completed as this really does help them to excel in their lessons. For every piece of home learning incomplete pupils will need to stay after school for 30 minutes from the Tuesday after it is checked on the Monday. This will begin from Tuesday 27th September and we will notify you if your child will need to stay. E.g. If they have missed 6 pieces in KS3 they would need to stay Tuesday and Wednesday for 1.5 hours after school. In KS2 they will stay for a maximum of 1 hour each night, this will depend on how many pieces are incomplete. Should they complete the home learning on Monday evening and bring into their form tutor on the Tuesday morning and the tutor is happy it meets the expectations they will not have to stay after school to complete.

If pupils do not access TT Rockstars and engage with the class battles that start every Sunday they will receive a mark on the P4L card. This is a downloadable app on all devices and we would encourage them to do this, please let us know if you do not have access to an electronic device.

To support your child in completing the expected amount they can access the library during their lunchtimes or attend PM club. If your child is struggling with their home learning please contact their form tutor to discuss ways to support them to access this independently.

If you have any questions about this please contact the main school office.

Yours sincerely,

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