

The Royal Liberty School

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HOME LEARNING POLICY

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Rationale

Royal Liberty teachers set appropriate home learning to enable students to:

- ◆ Consolidate and reinforce skills and understanding of classwork.
- ◆ Extend school learning.
- ◆ Develop organisational and time-management skills
- ◆ Personalise their own learning.

It also enables teachers to see how students have grasped the content covered in lessons. Parents can check the quality of their sons' home learning and look at diagnostic comments made by teachers.

Setting of home learning

Home learning activities are set as follows:

- ◆ KS3: Core – once a week. All other subjects – fortnightly.
- ◆ KS4: Once a week in all subjects other than Citizenship, Core Computing and Core PE.

Teachers record the date homework is set, due and a summary of the tasks on SIMS Homework page to enable students and parents to view on the SIMS Learning Gateway.

Students record their home learning in their planner which should be signed by parents/carers and countersigned by form tutors. Teachers should write the home learning in any planner which has a yellow SEND sticker.

Parents/carers log onto the SIMS Learning Gateway to see what home learning has been set on a weekly basis.

Rewards and Sanctions

Students should be rewarded for regularly completing home learning or completing home learning to a good standard. This will be reflected on progress reports but could also take the form of praise postcards, emails/letters to parents etc

Students who fail to complete home learning should be issued with a one hour after school detention. **This must be recorded on the SIMS behaviour log.** Sanctions for persistent non completion of home learning or non-attendance to a homework detention follows normal school discipline pathways.

Monitoring

Curriculum and subject leaders are responsible for ensuring that appropriate home learning tasks are being set by subject teachers. They must also frequently check that it is being logged on SIMS.

SLT line managers should regularly monitor that home learning is being set and logged on SIMS for the faculty they line manage.

Subject teachers, form tutors, students and parents are collectively responsible for ensuring that home learning is written in planners and being completed by students.