

Homework at Ercall Wood Academy

At Ercall Wood Academy, evidence based educational research informs the design, structure and delivery of our curriculum so that we can best support all of our students to achieve their potential.

We strongly believe that homework is an integral part of learning and further enhances the ability of our students to succeed academically. Evidence from EEF states that homework has a positive impact on average (+5 months) with students ([Homework | EEF](#))

Homework provides students with regular and systematic independent practice of the essential knowledge taught in lessons for consolidation of learning. We understand that students may not have a quiet space for home learning, therefore we offer Homework Club which provides a space free of interruptions to support students with completing their homework after school. We also provide after school enrichment clubs for our students to practice the more practical elements of the curriculum.

Accessing homework

All homework is set on Satchel One by class teachers so that students and parents know what is due to be completed and by when.

Subjects use a range of platforms, such as Seneca Learning and Sparx Maths, to support the practise of essential knowledge. Project based homework is also set by subjects to enrich students' learning.

Working together – Academy, parents and students

At Ercall Wood Academy we recognise that parents play a key role in helping to ensure that our students, your children, receive the best possible support to successfully complete their homework and revise effectively. Parents can support their child by providing a quiet space at home that is free of distractions such as television, mobile phones and social media.

Parents can also sign up to the homework platforms to track their child's engagement and progress in their homework, and to encourage their child to complete their homework on time.

Reading: All Reading is good reading!

Please encourage your child to engage with 20 minutes of independent reading daily across a range of text types. Research indicates that regular reading supports both academic progress and outcomes and most importantly is beneficial to wellbeing. For advice on supporting your child's reading please follow the link to advice from The National Literacy Trust.

Parent links

Satchel One - <https://help.satchelone.com/en/articles/2912165-logging-in-as-a-parent>

Sparx Maths - <https://sparxmaths.com/parents/>

Seneca Learning - <https://help.senecalearning.com/en/articles/8315278-how-to-use-the-parent-platform>

National Literacy Trust - https://nlt.cdn.ngo/media/documents/Encouraging_a_love_of_reading_in_older_children.pdf

Ercall Wood Academy IT support - EWATechs@lct.education

Homework expectations

	Time per subject
Year 7,8,9	30 minutes per fortnight
Year 10,11	60 minutes per option per fortnight 60 minutes per core subject per week

