

Homework is set on a Monday for completion by the following Monday in order to enable students to manage their own independent learning and prevent them being overloaded on any given day. Homework is set on Hegarty and invariably involves students consolidating their learning through blocked, as well as interleaved, practice. The use of Hegarty allows students to reinforce and solidify their learning by means of retrieval practice which sometimes involves focusing on content covered in that particular week whilst, on other occasions, retrieving knowledge from the previous month or earlier in the year, particularly when leading up to exams. Homework is also set on BromCom in order to ensure that students and their parents are aware of the homework set and the percentage scored in each homework is recorded on the inside front cover of each student's exercise book in order to provide the student with a detailed insight into which topics were successfully completed independently at home as well as highlighting those that require additional attention in order to become more secure. The purpose of setting homework is to consolidate learning, encourage independence, enable students to take ownership of their own learning in order to ensure that they develop the skills that will enable them to become lifelong learners.