

## **Cedars Academy Homework Policy 2025-26 (Parents/Carers Guidance)**

### **Why Homework Matters:**

- Homework helps pupils to remember what they've learnt in school and prepare for tests and exams.
- Homework can help pupils make more progress, learn time management skills, and take responsibility for their learning.
- Teachers regularly set and monitor homework in school to support classwork.

### **How homework works:**

- Homework tasks focus on retrieval and exam preparation
- Key Stage 3 (Years 7, 8 & 9)
  - 1 task per subject fortnightly (around 15-20 minutes per task)
- Key Stage 4 (Years 10 & 11)
  - 1 task per subject weekly (around 30 minutes per task)
- Homework is:
  - Set on Beehive
  - Explained and referenced in class
  - Set with a minimum of a 7-day completion time

### **What's expected from pupils:**

- Pupils must complete homework to deadlines and to the required standard
- Pupils need to manage their time to complete work

### **Rewards & Sanctions:**

- Teachers reward good homework with achievement points
- If homework is late:
  - a C2 sanction and detention will be issued
  - pupils will be given an extension (minimum of 24 hours) to catch up
  - If pupils complete work to the extension, the detention will be cancelled but the C2 will remain on the record

### **How you can help:**

- Check Beehive regularly to see what pupils have been set and talk to your child about their homework.
- Help your child find a suitable, quiet space at home to work – or encourage them to use spaces available in school. The library is open for studying before and after

school and at break and lunch. Support is also available in the Curriculum Support Centre and the Pupil Premium Hub.

- Contact teachers if your child is struggling to complete their homework.