

Dear Parent / Carer,

I wrote to you in the Autumn Term about the significant difference homework can make to the learning and individual attainment of our students and to invite you to be part of a review we are carrying out of the current homework provision at the Academy. Thank you to the parent / carers who have already taken the time to complete the review. If you have not yet had your say, please click the link below and submit your responses by Friday 3rd April. All your views will then be used along with those of the students, teachers and current best educational practice to put together a new homework policy to support the students at JQA.

If you are having trouble accessing the link, but would like your say, please contact the Academy and we will assist you further.

While we review homework at the Academy, your son / daughter will be set homework; the amount and frequency of which will depend on the key stage your son / daughter is in.

Year 7 and 8 will be set up to 3 hours of homework per week. The type of homework will vary; however, the purpose will always be to either, deepen your son / daughter's understanding of the topic being taught, consolidate learning or prepare them for future learning.

Years 9, 10 and 11 will be set between 5 – 9 hours homework per week. The platform we use to set KS4 students' homework is GCSE Pod. For more information on GCSE Pod, please visit; www.gcsepod.com/parents where you will find practical tips on how you can support your son / daughter in their homework.

Your son / daughter has already been registered with GCSE Pod, so all they need to do is activate their account by following the instructions below. If your son / daughter has already activated but can't remember their username and password, please ask them to contact a member of staff.

- 1) Go to www.gcsepod.com and click **"Login"** in the top right-hand corner
- 2) Click **"New here? Get started."**
- 3) Select **"Student"**
- 4) Enter your son / daughter's **name, date of birth** and **the Academy**.
- 5) Create a **username, password**, and a **password hint** to help them remember the password.

I would like to thank you in advance for your support and contribution to the homework policy. Should you have any further questions or queries, please feel free to contact me.

Mrs Cross
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Homework questionnaire

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