

Hayle Academy

25 September 2020

Dear Parent/ Carer

I wish to extend a very warm welcome back to all of our students. Thank you for all of your support with our students' home learning over the period of the school partial closure. However, it has been wonderful to see our students back in the classroom learning. As an enhancement to their in-class learning, I would like to take this opportunity to share with you details about our homework and home learning provision moving forward.

As part of our commitment to ensuring that all of our students achieve their potential, Hayle Academy believes that every student should have the opportunity to benefit from high-quality, regular homework as an important and integral part of the learning.

As you are aware, to support our students' transition to Hayle Academy, homework has not been set for the first three weeks of the new term. However, homework will be introduced from Monday 28th September as part of a phased, rolling programme.

Show My Homework

Show My Homework continues as our main tool for setting homework, sharing resources and providing feedback to students. Teachers will continue to set homework using this web-based platform, which shares details of the work, resources, and hand in dates. This is an online tool that helps our students to organise and manage their homework effectively through their 'to-do' list. Homework will be set via Show My Homework for Year 9 students from Monday 28th September in the following subjects as part of a phased approach, which in turn will support students to manage their time and to build on their subject resilience:

From 28.9.20 onwards	English, Maths and Science – set weekly 45 minutes per subject
In addition, from 12.10.20	<i>Homework will be reviewed in two weeks' time and further additional subjects may be introduced at this point</i>
In addition, from 2.11.20	Spanish, Geography, History and creative options – up to 45 minutes a fortnight per subject No homework will be set in other subjects

In addition to the subject- based homework assignments, students are expected to read for at least 20 minutes a day of their own choice of text. Examples include: a reading book, non-fiction news article or further reading around a subject, but the choice of text should be appropriately challenging and should promote enjoyment of reading.

Student Account

If your child has not yet created a Show My Homework account in school, they will need to do so by visiting: <https://satchelone.com/pin> or by opening the Satchel One mobile app. They need to

use their individual student pin number. If your child needs to create an account, please contact me via Melissa.lock@hayleacademy.net and I will provide their individual pin code.

Students' usernames for Show My Homework will be their school email address, which is formatted in the following way: name.surname@student.hayleschool.net

If your child has previously created an account but has forgotten their password, please email me via Melissa.lock@hayleacademy.net so that I can send a password reset link. This will be sent to their school email address, which is accessible by visiting mail.hayleacademy.net. To access their school email account, they need to enter their computer log in details that they use for their school computers. If their computer log in details need to be reset, please email passwordreset@tpacademytrust.org for support from the IT team.

Parent Account

As part of our valued partnership, we would like to invite all of our parents who have not yet created a parent account to do so by visiting <https://satchelone.com/signup> or by opening the Satchel One mobile app. This will enable you to keep track of the homework set for your child and to receive updates when work has been or hasn't been submitted. You will require an individual parent code to enable you to create your parent account. If you require a parent code, please email Melissa.lock@hayleacademy.net and I will send this information to you directly. Thank you in advance for your support.

Home Learning for Self-Isolating Students

Furthermore, teachers will also set home learning for those small number of students who are self-isolating via Show My Homework. This work will be set as a flexible task for all students with the phrase 'self-isolating students' contained in the title. If students are attending school, there is not an additional requirement that they complete this work. However, it is important that in light of the ongoing national pandemic, students are able to access their learning remotely in a seamless way if required to do so. If there are any barriers to learning at home for your child, such as access to the internet, please do contact us for further support via our Associate Assistant Headteacher, Mrs Parker: emma.parker@hayleacademy.net.

Submission of Homework

All work will be submitted via Show My Homework for feedback unless students have been specifically directed by their teacher to submit using Google Classroom. Google Classroom is a tool that enables the school community to connect, share resources, ideas and work without the need for uploading. It is the platform that is also used for Google Meet. Class codes for Google Classroom for this academic year are published on Show My Homework by subject teachers.

How to log into Google Classroom

If your child has not yet logged into Google Classroom, they will need to visit this website: <https://classroom.google.com>. Your child's username for Google Classroom will be their school email address, which our students already use as their Show My Homework username. Their school email address will be formatted in the following way: name.surname@student.hayleschool.net

Their password when accessing it for the first time is: Studentpassword1

If you experience any difficulties with the school email address when logging into the Google Classroom account, please do contact our IT technical support team via passwordreset@tpacademytrust.org.

Once logged in, they will be asked to confirm their role: please click on 'I am a student'.

Support materials

To help to support your child, I highly recommend that your child watches a short video with the following link that reminds them how to log into and hand work in through Google Classroom: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k-O4q8rEay8&feature=youtu.be>. This has been created and shared by one of our Trust secondary partnership schools.

Once your child has logged into their Google Classroom account, they will then be able to join the classes that their teacher has asked them to join, using a class code that will be published on Show My Homework as a flexible task. Students are able to submit work without the need to upload any documents or photos. The document will be live in their Google folder and teachers will be able to see this directly. They can type straight onto the worksheets or type on a blank Word document, for example. They will also benefit from real-time feedback—teachers can view, comment, and edit student work in real time.

Thank you for your continued support as we introduce our homework rolling programme and our platforms to continue to further enhance our homework and home learning provision for our students. There is a lot of information contained in this letter. If you need any further advice, please do not hesitate to contact the school through enquiries@hayleacademy.net.

Best wishes

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