



YEAR 8 GHS HOME STUDY PROGRAM, 2017

Year 8 is a developmental year in high school. Students should now be used to the expectations and should be expanding their skills as an independent learner. As such, home study should now take approximately 80 minutes per day, 5 days per week.

On occasions where students do not have any homework, it is expected that students will read for at least 20 minutes per night. Reading supports learning by exposing young people to vocabulary and writing structures, which then enhances their own writing. When students read you can help them with understanding by questioning them on the story or book they are reading; what would you do if you were this character?; how does X feel? how do you know? ; what might happen next? ; did you enjoy the story? Why?.

Please note, this is a guide. Home study will be set to suit subject weekly needs.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	WEEKEND
SUBJECT 1	HISTORY – 30 MINS	SCIENCE – 30 MINS	ENGLISH – 30 MINS	SCIENCE – 40 MINS	ART – 30 MINS
SUBJECT 2	ENGLISH – 40 MINS	MATHS – 20 MINS	GEOGRAPHY – 30 MINS	MATHS – 30 MINS	D & T – 30 MINS
SUBJECT 3	READING – 10 MINS	HEBREW – 30 MINS	MATHS 20 MINS	READING – 10 MINS	MUSIC – 20 MINS

If students are not set homework, please remember a really useful tool for parents to engage in conversation with their child is to communicate with them about their day. Quite often parents say they ask their child, ‘what did you do today?’ and their child responds, ‘nothing’. This can be the typical teenage response. However, it’s not them, it’s the question we are asking. Instead, try saying to your child, ‘tell me 4 things you learnt today’. This can be a conversation starting and also help them revise their day. To take this a step further, by your child a note book and ask them to write down, or draw, or mind map 4 things they have learnt that day. Come exam time, you will have a study guide for them.