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Dear Parent / Carer,

Independent learning

This year we have reviewed how pupils undertake independent learning and homework away from the classroom and we have worked hard to support pupils in carrying out their independent learning successfully. After consulting with all stakeholders, we implemented the following changes for KS3 as a trial:

- Subject leaders communicated to parents/carers (via the parental curriculum document) with what the homework will look like for their subject for that half term.
- KS3 pupils received an assembly on why homework is an essential part of their learning and were shown how to use their planners correctly to record homework, along with examples
- Initially, staff checked that pupils had written their homework into their planner in sufficient detail, along with the due date and how long should be spent on the homework
- Staff provided pupils with at least 4 school days to hand in their homework to ensure there is sufficient time for pupils to seek help if necessary
- Staff explained to pupils what help/support is available to them
- Homework club was launched a quiet space in the library for pupils to sit and complete their homework during break and lunchtimes on a Wednesday and Friday. Pupils could also access resources such as laptops, revision guides and textbooks for support in homework club.

We are now keen to gather feedback from all stakeholders again for your views and opinions on these changes, along with any other suggestions for any further improvements going forward.

Please find below the link to a survey. The survey is voluntary and should only take a short time to complete. It would be appreciated if you could take the time to complete this survey as your views as parents and carers are very welcomed and valued.

If you have more than 1 child in the school and they are in a different year groups, please complete 1 form per year group – this will enable us to compare different year groups.

The survey will be open for a period of 10 days; it will be open from Tuesday 24th June and will close on Friday 4th July.

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If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact me at the school.

Yours faithfully

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