

Independent Study in Science



Independent study is a vital part of learning the skills of science and developing them beyond the classroom.

Teachers will also set regular pieces of directed homework to develop skills and understanding.

At Key Stage 3 we expect you to read through your notes from the previous lesson and ensure that they are complete and that you understand them. You should also make sure that all activities in your topic pack are complete.

In addition to this we will typically set **30-40 minutes of homework per week** to reinforce your learning and develop your science skills, using the Sparx Science platform.

At Key Stage 4 (including Year 9) we expect you to read through your notes from the previous lesson and ensure that they are complete and that you understand them.

In addition to this we will typically set **90 minutes of homework per week** to reinforce your learning and develop your science skills, using the Sparx Science platform.

At Key Stage 5 we expect you to read through your notes from the previous lesson and ensure that they are complete and that you understand them. You should also do additional reading to ensure that you fully understand the subject content.

For every hour of timetabled lessons, you would be expected to do an hour of additional work outside the classroom, so this would be a minimum of 5 hours of independent study per A level subject.