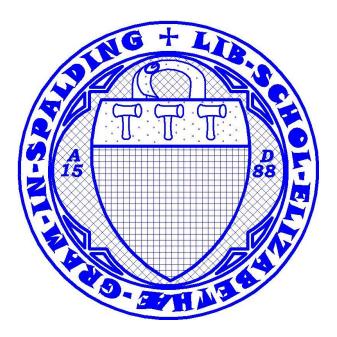
Spalding Grammar School



Sixth Form Home Study Policy

2023-24

Introduction

The School is proud of its Sixth Form pupils and of what they achieve. Helped by committed teachers, they are encouraged to make the transition from 'dependent' to 'independent' learners. As part of this process, and within clear and firm guidelines, they are accorded greater freedoms in dress, study, time and movement. Our Home Study Policy is an example of how we develop time management and personal study skills in all our Sixth Form students in preparation for life after Spalding Grammar School.

Details

Year 13 students are afforded the privilege of either studying at home during their study periods or studying at school in the dedicated study spaces.

The decision to grant home study leave rests with the Director of Sixth Form Studies and will be based upon students' grades, effort scores, attendance and behaviour.

The criteria for home study are as follows:

- 1. Meet/ exceed target grades in all subjects.
- 2. Achieve effort score of 3 or better in all subjects.
- 3. Average attendance of no less than 96%.

Reference may also be made to students' behaviour records on our School Information Management System (Go4School) so that even where a student has met the above criteria, the decision to grant home study leave may be revoked if they have numerous entries on Go4School for poor behaviour/ attitude.

The decision to grant home study leave will be taken at the following two grade intervals:

Interval	Decision taken	Notification to students	Period Covered
1	15 Nov	17 Nov	20 Nov-26 Jan
2	31 Jan	2 Feb	5 Feb -28 Mar

N.B. Where a student is granted home study leave in one interval, this does not necessarily mean they will be granted it again in the next. The onus will be on the student to continue to meet the criteria listed above. Equally, where a student consistently fails to meet the School's expectations in terms of behaviour and attitude (as evidenced by Go4School), home study leave may be summarily withdrawn.

Home study leave applies to periods 5 and 6 only. Where a student is free both periods 5 and 6, they may go home once period 4 is complete. Alternatively, where a student is free period 6, s/he may go home after period 5 is complete. **Any student taking advantage of home study leave must ensure that they sign out at reception when they leave.** Students failing to meet this expectation will jeopardize their home study leave.