



Tynecastle High School
S4, 5, 6 Home Learning Expectations
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Some tips for Parents and Carers...

- Help your son/daughter maintain a positive attitude to school, homework, study, mentoring and exams
- Encourage completion of home learning. Support us in getting across how importance this is. For a 160 hour Higher course, around another 40 hours minimum is required as well as classwork
- Use positive but realistic language
- Help establish the study habit - time/place/relaxed atmosphere/rewards...?
- Get involved as much as you can... But not too much!
- Devote time to talking to your son or daughter; how do they feel?
- Build confidence by helping your son or daughter feel good about themselves
- Ensure that school clubs, interests and other activities are kept on the go – research tells us that young people achieve best when they are busy and active
- If your son or daughter has a job, this is a good thing – but not if they work too many hours. 8 hours up to a maximum of 12 each week would be good advice. More than this will probably impact on exam success, and future choices and opportunities for most students
- Regularly check our website for any information for parents
- Once a week ask your son/daughter to show you how they have been making use of their iPad to learn things
- Check the assessment calendar on the website and the iPad. This shows all the specific subject assessments for the year

S4, 5, 6 also receive...

- Tracking reports
- Merit / De-Merit reports
- Formal Reports from teachers (in March, following the February Prelim exams)

Useful weblinks

- www.tynecastle.edin.sch.uk/ (Home Learning information, including parent instructions for Edmodo, can be found in the School Information Menu under Learning)
- www.bbc.co.uk/schools/bitesize/
- www.bbc.co.uk/parenting/
- www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Education

Tynecastle's Edmodo Study Revision Guide for students

Joining link: <https://edmo.do/j/ftpjli>

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