SETTING THINGS UP FOR THE LAST YEARS OF SCHOOL: FOLLOW THIS CHECKLIST Have you set up a folder on your computer for this year's work and within that a folder for each subject? Have you downloaded the syllabus for each of your subjects from the NESA website, filed it in the subject folder on your computer and also printed out a copy of each syllabus? Have you decided how much time you will allocate to schoolwork? (10-14 hours a week in Year 11, 14-20+ hours a week in Year 12.) Have you decided how you will structure your study over the week and ensure you stick to the hours you have planned to do? (Maybe a weekly timetable?) Each day do you do all of the homework first then focus on preparing for any upcoming assessments? Once this is done do you then do independent learning like making and improving study notes, using study guides and working on the areas you find difficult? Ask your teacher which additional resource or study guide they recommend for your subject. The aim in the senior years is to try and study and learn throughout the year rather than waiting for exam time. Keep asking yourself, what could I do to improve my understanding? Will you make sure that every school holidays you get totally up-to-date in your study notes? Have you printed out the term planners so you can map out the year? Have you been given the assessment booklet/schedule from your school for your courses? Once you have the assessment schedule for the year have you written all of the tasks onto the term planners, as well as the exam block dates? If you only know the week not the exact date then put it on the Monday for now. Highlight tests in one colour, assessments in another and exam blocks in a different colour. Map out the whole year. Cross off the days as you go so you can see at a glance what is coming up and when the busy periods are. Have you considered putting up a whiteboard so you can use it for planning for assessments? Each time you are given the actual assessment notification, do you then add it to your diary and whiteboard? The idea is that on the whiteboard you have all the upcoming assessments, the due date and then you use this whiteboard to plan what you will do for the coming week on those assessments. Every Sunday night will you plan out what work you want to do for each assessment during the week and allocate a day(s) for that work? Then on Friday night make a new plan for what you will do for the assessments on the weekend. Have you decided what and where you will write on at school this year? 1 folderat school Will you have a folder with loose leaf paper and dividers in it for each subject? with dividers in it Will you use A4 writing books that are hole-punched and can be kept in a for each subject folder? Or will you have a book where you can tear out the pages and file them? early years of high school) And what will happen with loose sheets of paper? Will you holepunch and put them in your folder? Paperclip to your notes? Use plastic sleeves? folder What have you got set up for filing? Do you have a folder at home for \bigcirc each subject where you can file past tests, assessments, topics that have been completed at school? Your printed out syllabus should be in the front of each do study notes for subject folder. Then you can put your study notes, then each topic can be filed folders for after that, separated by dividers. Everything for that subject ends up here.

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When you finish a topic do you stop taking it to school and instead file it away in the subject folders at home?