Welcome to the Parent Information Evening

Year 7





Introduction

Mr Peter Roberts
Headteacher





Head of Year 7

Mrs Griffin Head of Year





Head of Year - Mrs S Griffin

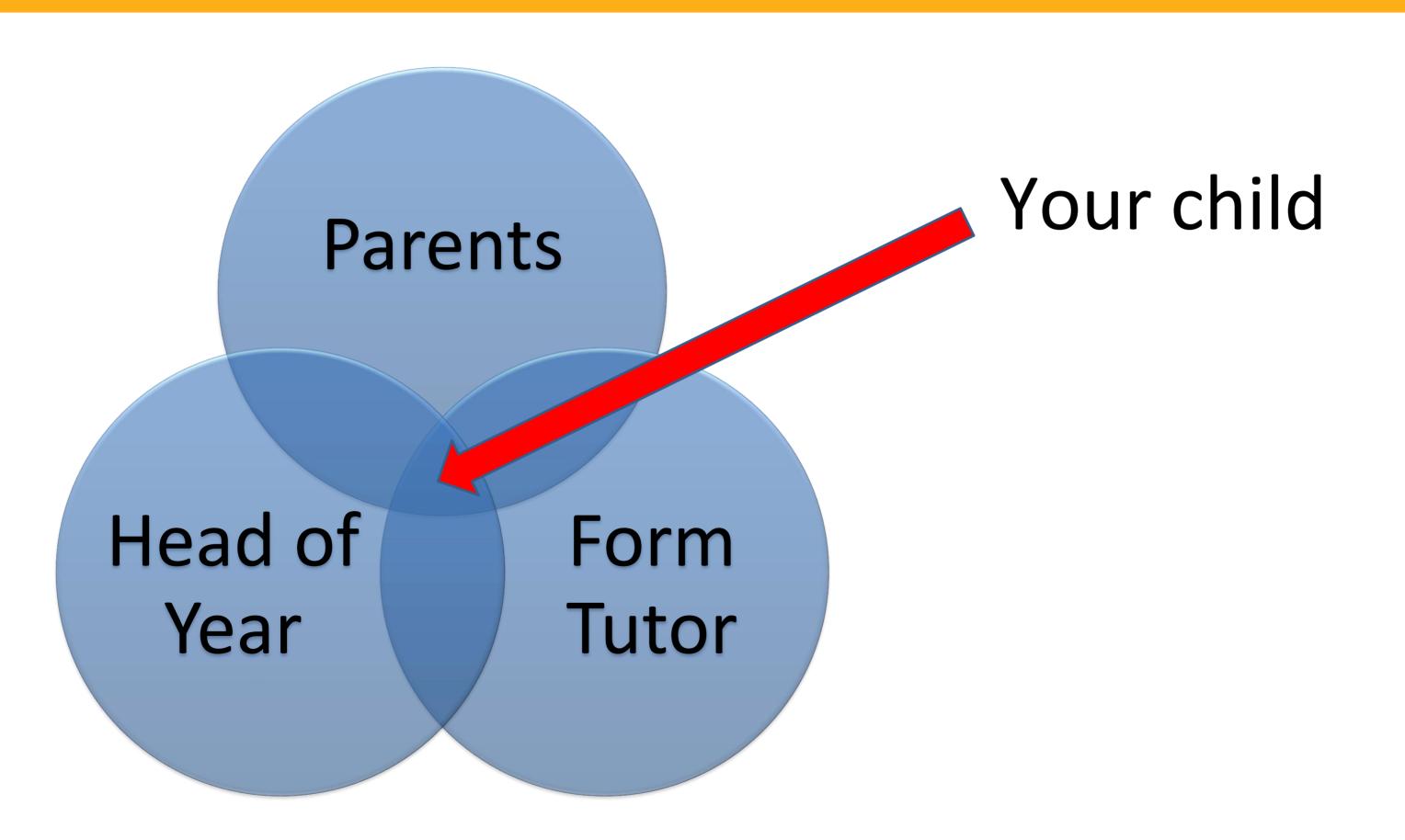
Overview of role:

- Leading pastoral team
- Focus on achievement
- Liaising with all stakeholders to support your child
- Coordinating intervention and subject support across the curriculum
- Working with parents and caregivers

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Working in Partnership



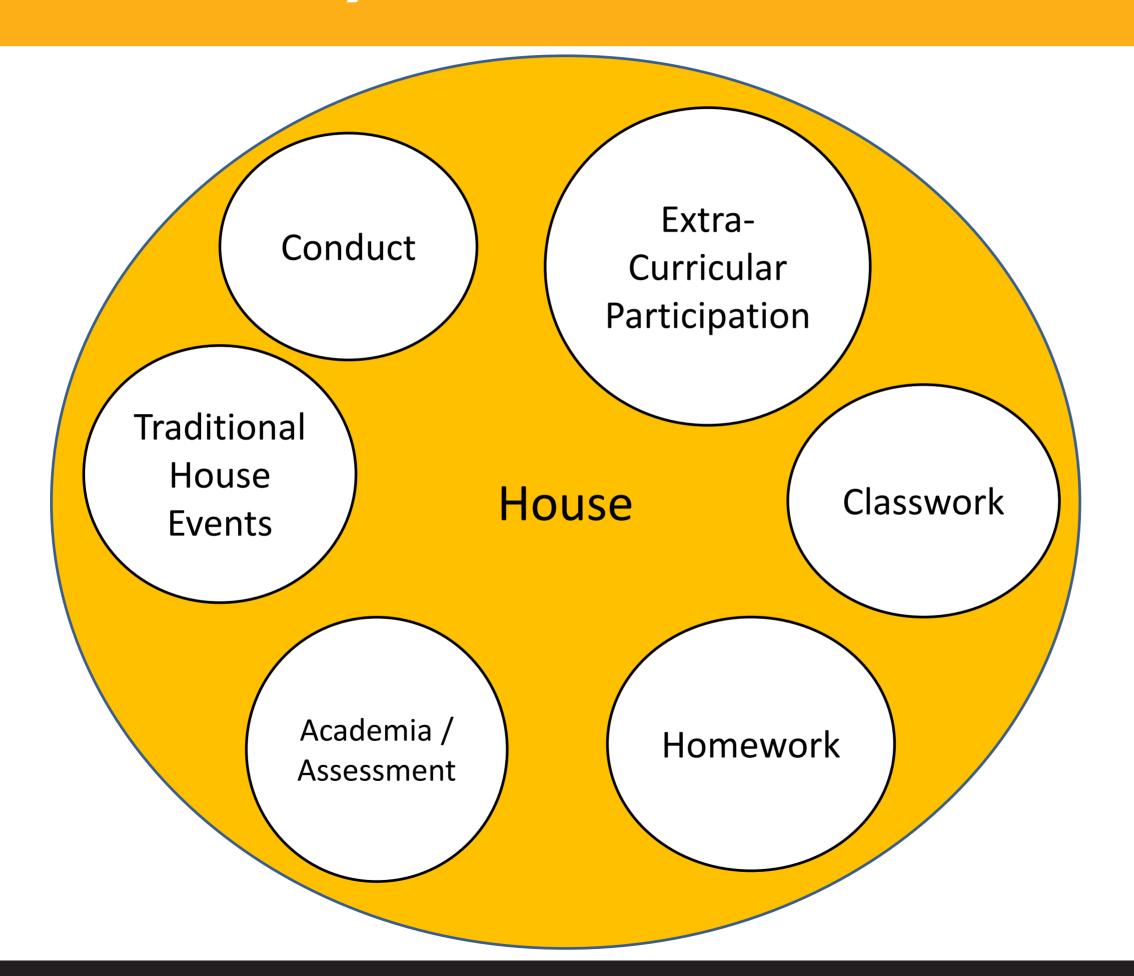


Heckmondwike Grammar School

Mr Richard Tipler
Deputy Headteacher



House Reward System





House Reward System

We REWARD EXCELLENCE

Lesson Points

Will be awarded for;



Ethos



Participation Excellence



Classwork Excellence



Homework Excellence



Extra-Curricular Participation Points



Academic Achievement Points

Can be revoked for;



Poor Behaviour in Lesson





Poor Behaviour out of Lesson



Late



Homework



Misuse of Uniform or Equipment



Assessment

Assessments per term:

- 2 x Stepping Stone assessments
- 1 x Mile Stone assessment

Rewards

- Grades on or above target
- Ethos points
- Class Positives

1 x report per term:

- Mile Stone grades
- Reward Points
- Extra-Curricular
- Attendance



Homework

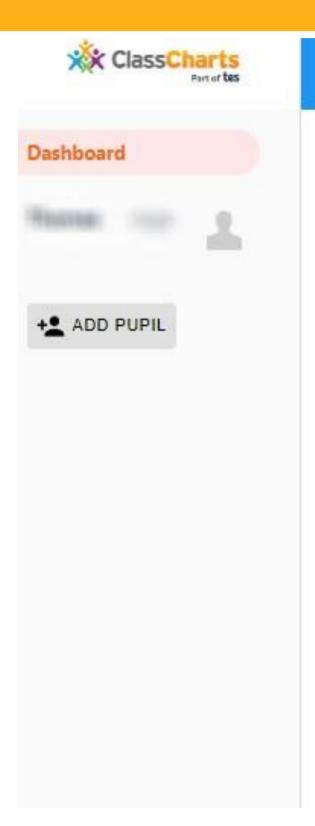
Homework is set on ClassCharts, and students should record all homework in their planner:

- Between 60 90 minutes in total
- 3 subjects; 20 30 minutes each
- Reading and wider reading



^{*}Planners will be checked on Tuesdays

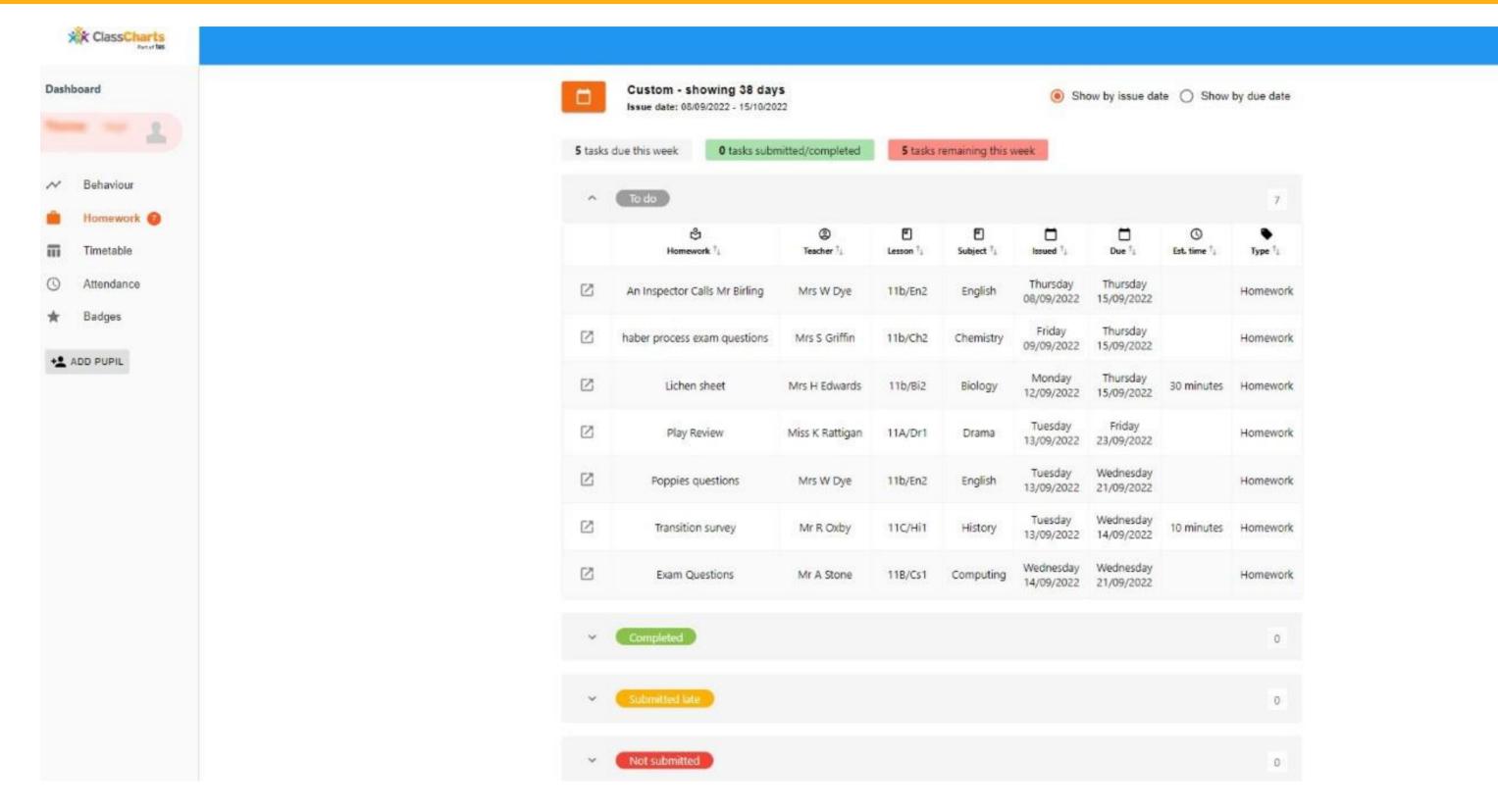
ClassCharts





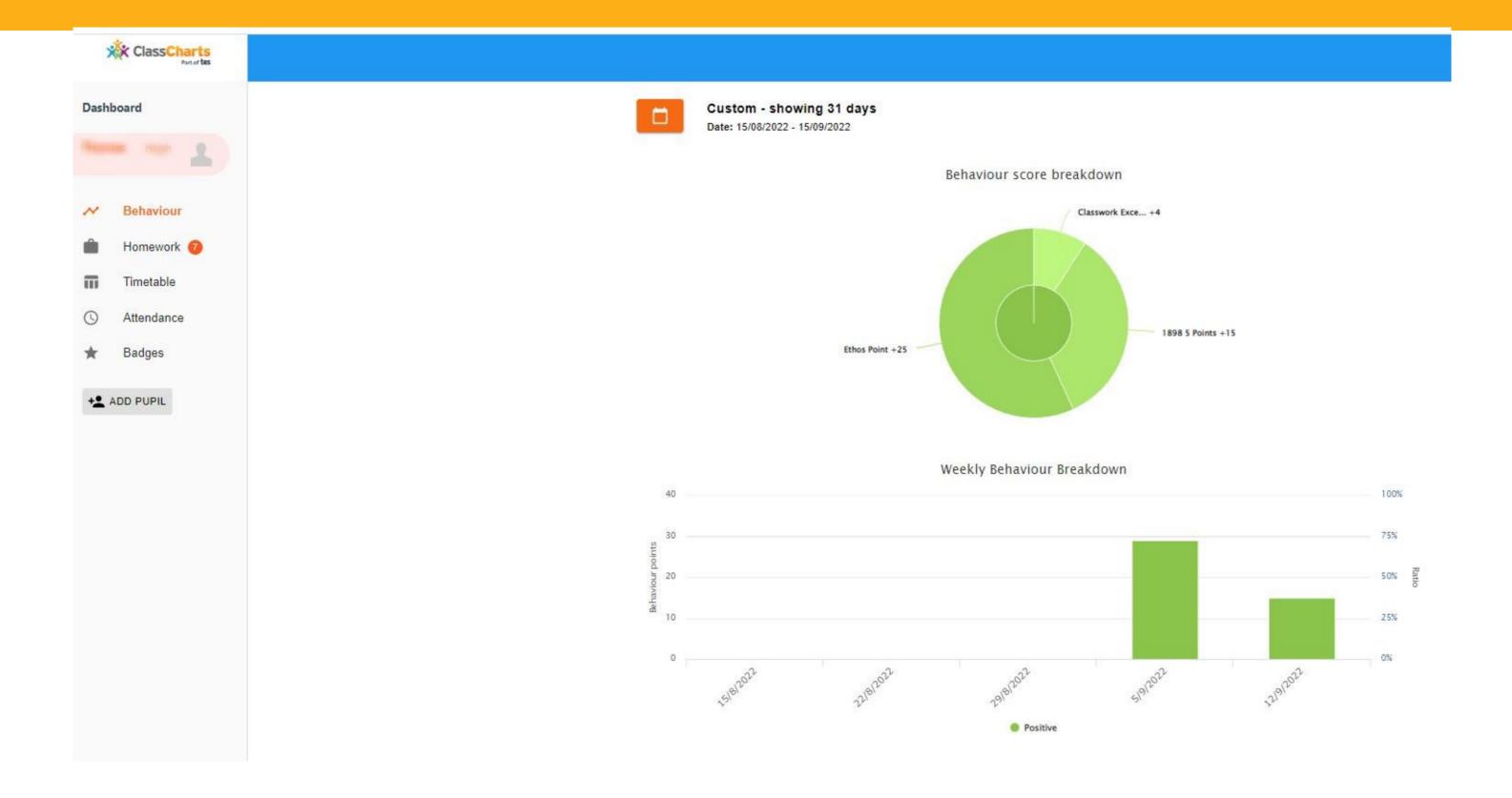


ClassCharts - Homework



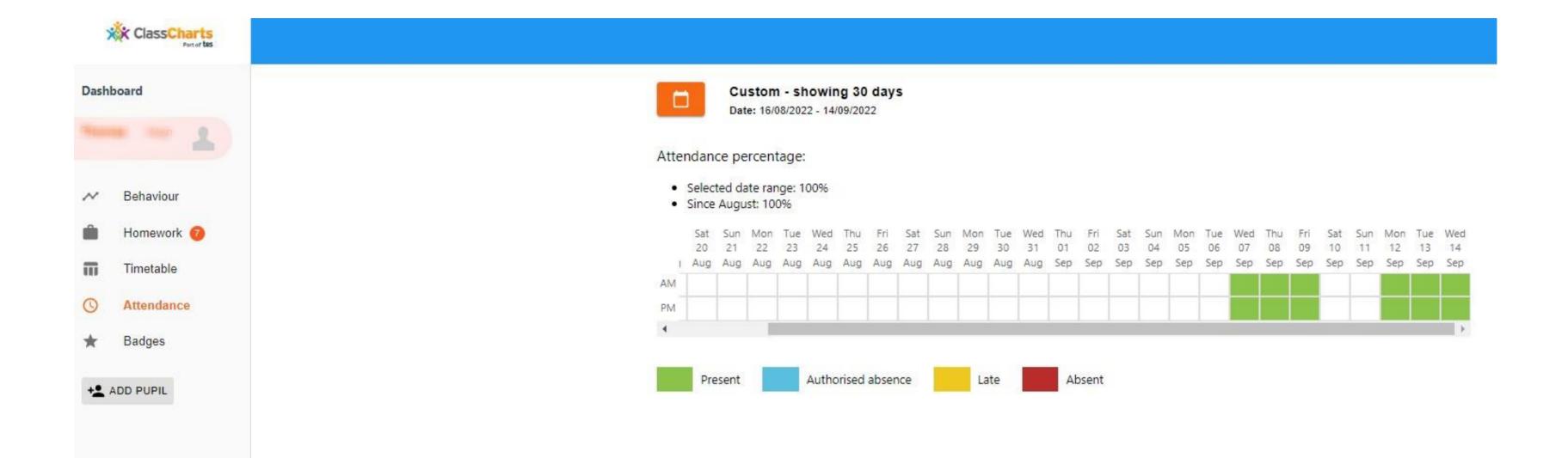


ClassCharts - Behaviour





ClassCharts - Attendance





Lockers

Available to all Students

£5 deposit on ParentPay

Mrs Brooke in Pastoral Office





Literacy at Heckmondwike Grammar School

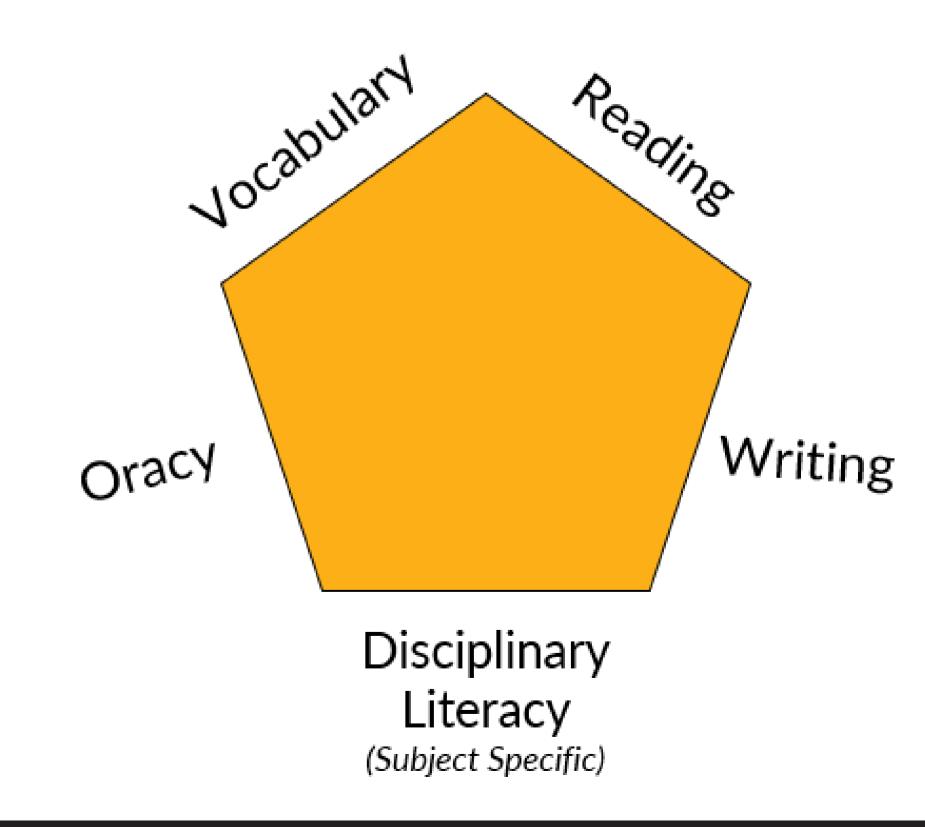
Miss Jessica Wilkinson



The Importance of Literacy

Literacy allows us to:

- Have the gift of choice and ability to articulate one's own decisions.
- Maintain a grasp of real-world issues.
- Gain new knowledge to upskill our own talents and abilities.
- Build confidence in speaking to others and about particular issues of importance to us.
- Be exploratory to discuss, debate, question.
- Stand out from the crowd.



What do we do to support your child's literacy?

- Reading age testing to identify students who may need additional support.
- Provision to provide support for those in need Lexia.
- Encouragement for students to SHAPE their verbal responses.
- (Speak in full sentences, Hands away from the mouth/face, Articulation, Projection of the voice, Eye contact encouraged to deliver responses).
- Headteacher Reading Award for library lends alongside the production of book reviews.
- Whole-School collaboration regarding access to academic texts within the curriculum, and more widely.
- Word of the Week introducing new vocabulary and completing activities to develop understanding.
- Engagement with literacy-based school events such as World Book Day.



Where to start? Reading!

- Reading increases creativity and imagination.
- Reading opens minds to new and diverse people, places and situations.
- Reading is fun and helps young people relax after a stressful day.
- Reading promotes and enhances critical thinking skills.
- Reading teaches young people about the complex world we live in.
- Reading promotes positive communication in families.
- Reading expands a young person's vocabulary.
- There is a strong connection between a young person's reading skills and their academic success.



Is your child a reluctant reader?

"We have loads of books at home; he just won't read them." "They play on their computer but not much else."

"They only want to be on their phone..."

"She always had her head in a book; but not anymore." "They say that they don't like reading."

"I don't know how to get them to read..."



How can you help to encourage your child to read?

- Read in front of them and share your love of reading texts no matter the type.
- - Encourage them to read non-fiction: newspaper apps, biographies, journals and magazines linked to their personal interests or to the subjects that they are studying...
- Share your interest in books and online articles.
- - Ask them about what they are reading/discuss content.
- Encourage them to read stories to their younger siblings.
- Encourage them to read a book that has been adapted into a film/TV series that they like.
- - Suggest that they listen to audiobooks, ideally whilst also reading the book.



Careers and Aspirations

Mrs Keddy

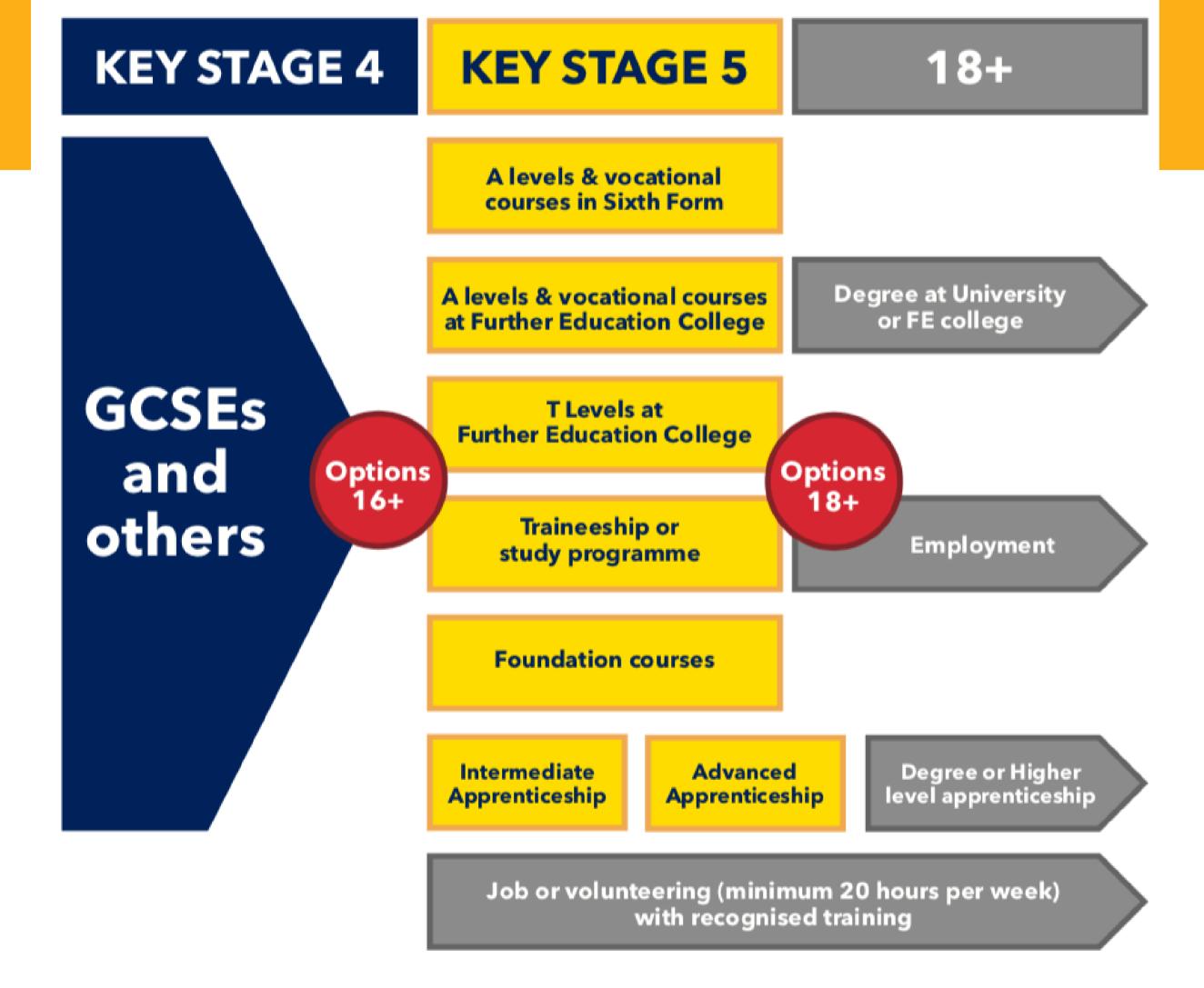


- Careers programme in the tutorial period
- Focus on future aspirations, goal setting and employability skills
- Includes building confidence when facing important decisions such as GCSE options and Post 16.



- Year 8 decide GCSE choices.
- Year 10 participate in work experience.
- Year 11 apply for post 16 option.
- Year 12 participate in work experience.
- Year 13 apply for post 18 option.







- Mrs Ellis and Mrs Haige provide careers advice.
- Opportunities to explore career options such as university trips, college taster days and interactions with employers and apprenticeships.
- We encourage you to talk to your child about their aspirations.



Year 7 should focus on:

- Understanding who they are and what they want
- Reflecting on their strengths
- Developing their skills
- Participating in extracurricular and personal development opportunities







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Travel

- Travel sickness medication, if required.
- No need for food for the coach, it is only the same as being in lessons 1 & 2
- They will require a main bag and a small rucksack for taking out on some of the activities.
- The main bag will be going under the coach so will not be accessible until arrival.



Allergies and Medical Conditions

- All allergies and medical conditions should have been declared on the form on parent pay. This is the information that is given to Bewerley Park.
- If you are in any doubt -paper forms are available tonight, please fill one in declaring your child's allergies and medical conditions.
- Please ensure we know of any dietary requirements.
- Bewerley have also asked for information regarding swimming and permission to take / use photographs. Complete forms quiz or paper copy

Medication

- Students are responsible for taking inhalers with them to the activities.
- Epi Pens- please send two of these.
- ALL medication should be clearly labelled and handed over in a named, clear plastic food bag and can be passed to members of staff.



Timings for Bewerley Park

 Arrive at school at normal time and pupils congregate in the Junior Yard.

- Please be aware that North Street is very busy.
- We will be arriving back in school by 3.30 approx.



Activities at Bewerley Park

Canoeing Raft building









Rock scrambling







Ghyll Scrambling









Bushcraft







Climbing Wall and Zip line







Evening Activities

Orienteering Team building Night walk







What to bring

All specialist equipment provided

Kit list - (paper copies available tonight)

- Changes of clothing layers.
- Nightwear
- Suitable footwear
- Sunscreen, hat, waterproof
- Towel
- Small rucksack
- Bin bags



Other aspects

- Accommodation in dorms
- No need for mobile phones or other technology
- Small amount of money for the tuck shop
- Medical issues/ allergies/ dietary please let us know on the medical form



Now over to your form tutor... Pastoral Staff S018

7H1 Mr Hall S017

7H2 Miss Hume S016 Mrs Griffin (HoY)

Mrs Goulding (swo)

7P1 Miss Gledhill S021 Mrs Illingworth

7P2 Mrs Moore S022 (SENDCO)



Thank you

And finally...

Challenge

Create memories

• It's not too late!



Now over to your form tutor... Pastoral Staff S018

7B1 Ms Macdonald S017

7B2 Mrs Fitzgerald S021

7C1 Mrs Currie S016

7C2 Mr Dyer. S022

Mrs Griffin (HoY)

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Thank you