

# Welcome to Year 8

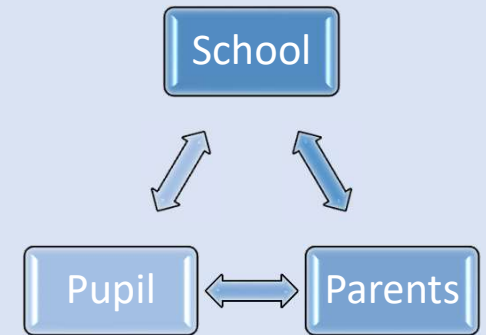
Nick Grundy

# The importance of year 8

- “In year 8 there are no tests of any great importance, no big decisions to make, and nothing is particularly new or exciting anymore. New school is now old hat. What’s more, it is often the year in which pupils’ hormones begin to rage. As a result, towards the end of year 7 and during year 8, pupils begin to get demotivated and their progress slows or stalls.”
- “Well, as is often the case, I find the solution lies in the problem. If the problem is that year 8 isn’t regarded as new or exciting, then we need to make it feel new and exciting. If the problem is that year 8 is the year in which pupils usually start puberty and their hormones kick in with a vengeance as they begin the journey towards maturity, then we need to recognise this increasing maturity.”
- “If the problem is that year 8, without tests and options, is regarded as meaningless, as a stop-gap, then we need to make it feel meaningful and use assessment and feedback to motivate pupils to make better progress.”
- Sec Ed article Sept 2016 by Matt Bromley – CPD lead, journalist and author

# Key things for success in Year 8

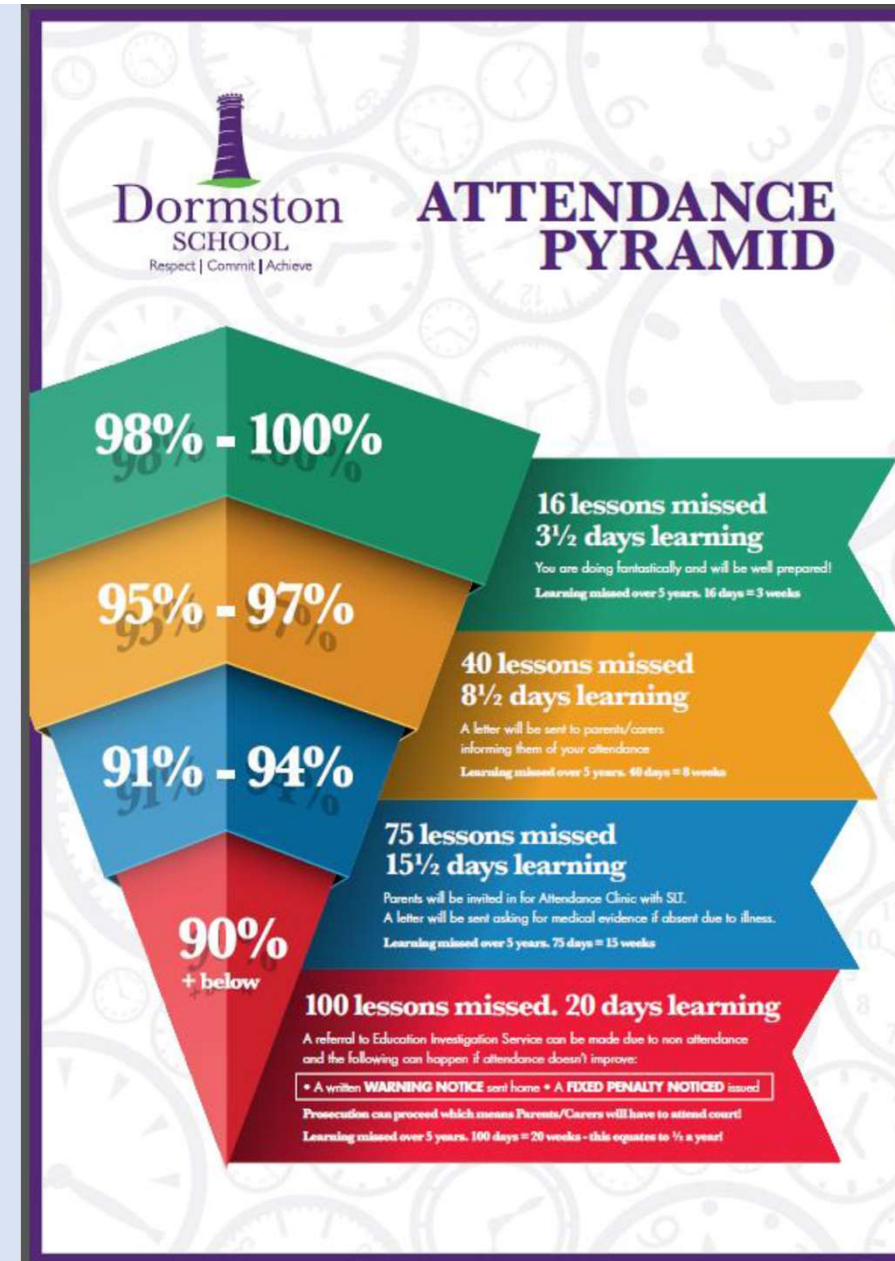
- Exemplary Attendance (98%+)
- Be punctual
- Be organised – equipment
- Have access to Go4Schools and RM Unify
- Complete Homework
- Attend Extra-Curricular Clubs
- Go above and Beyond in all subjects (at least an average effort score of a 2)
- Respond effectively to feedback
- Be polite, kind and an approachable person



# Attendance

Any absence could result in:

- Missing key information from subjects
- Missing important deadlines
- Missing friendships and extra curricular
- Missing PSHE and character development opportunities



All pupils

	Pupils	Average GCSE Grade	Average GCSE Value Added	English (best) Grade	English Value Added	Maths Grade	Maths Value Added	Attendance
All Pupils	209	4.9	+0.1	5.3	0.0	4.9	+0.2	90%

Attendance groups

Above 95%	95	5.6	● +0.7	6.1	● +0.7	5.6	● +0.6	97%
90.1 - 95%	62	5.1	+0.1	5.6	-0.1	5.2	+0.2	93%
80.1 - 90%	29	3.9	-0.4	4.4	-0.4	3.8	-0.3	86%
50.1 - 80%	16	2.7	● -1.1	3.1	● -1.2	2.8	● -0.7	68%
0 - 50%	6	1.5	● -2.5	2.0	● -2.5	1.2	● -2.7	30%

# GCSE Levels 9 - 1

The qualification will be graded and certificated **on a nine grade scale from 9 to 1**, where **9** is the **highest grade**.

Ofqual

Grading new GCSEs from 2017

New grading structure	Current grading structure
9	A*
8	
7	A
6	
5	B
4	C
3	D
2	E
1	F
	G
U	U

**GOOD PASS (DfE)**  
5 and above = top of C and above

**AWARDING**  
4 and above = bottom of C and above

# Flight Paths



**End of Year Target:** The targets have been generated by the school. They are based on primary school performance\*. A student's target grade is a prediction that has been set to indicate where they should be each school year – the purpose of this is to help monitor if they are on track to meet their GCSE target grade by Year 11. With hard work, these grades are meant to be achievable.

**Current grade:** The grade the student is currently working at set by the subject teacher– this often has factored in multiple assessments and is based on all of their learning so far.

**Predicted Grade:** The grade the subject teacher thinks the student will actually get at the end of Year 8.

# The 5 year curriculum

- Shift away from KS3 AND KS4 – spiral curriculum built upon skills and knowledge
- Core subjects particularly have a 5 year curriculum
- Topics/skills learned in Year 8 could be just as important as year 11



# What Year 8 pupils should expect

- **An increase in subject difficulty**
- **An increase in homework**
- **Development of critical thinking skills to solve unseen problems**
- **Recall of old information**
- **Mastery of new information**
- **Beginning to plan for their future**
- **Development of Employability skills (Eg time management)**

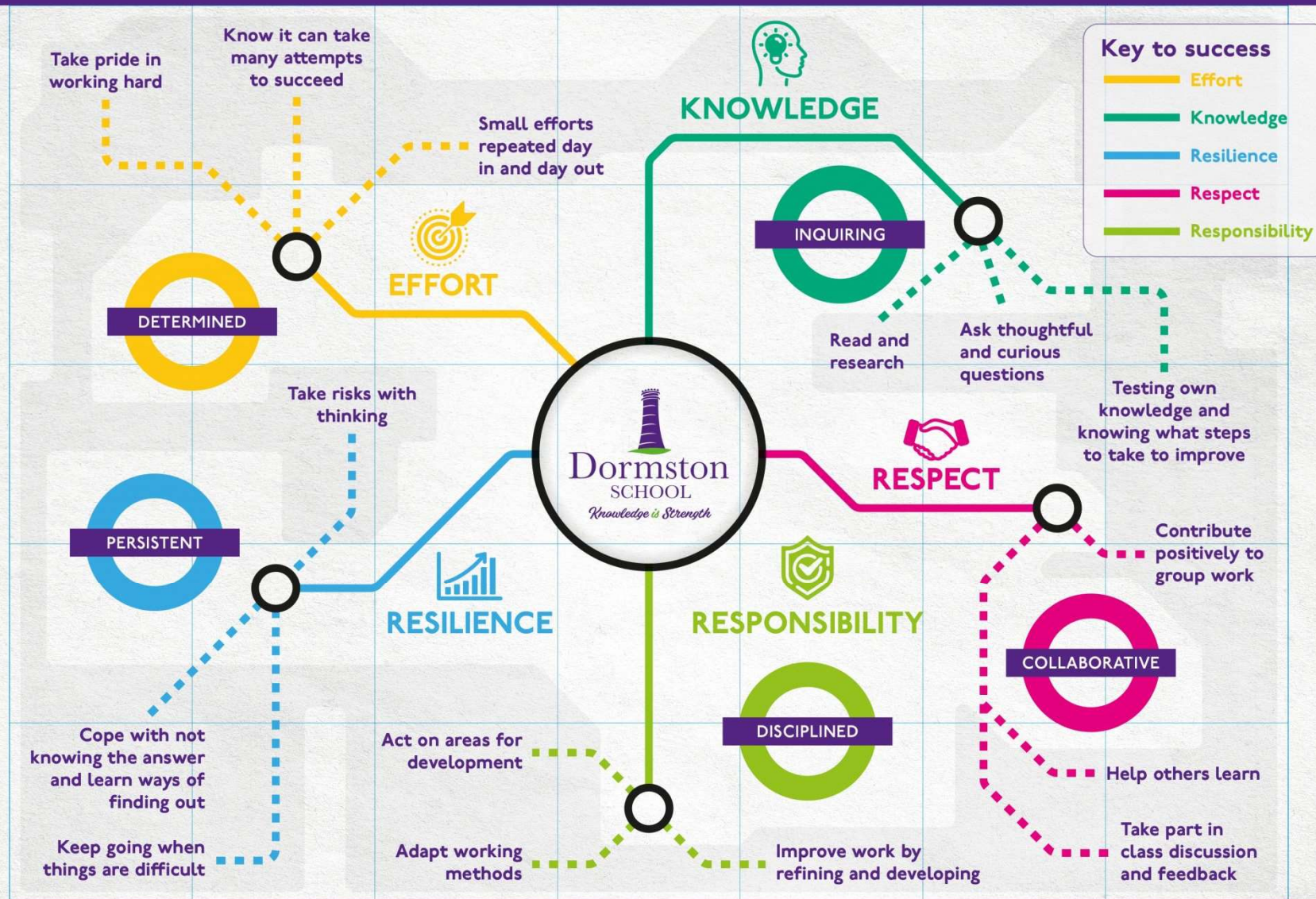


# Year 8 Focus

- **Learner Habits**
- Crime & Consequence
- Children's Rights & Responsibilities
- Body Image & Developing Relationships
- Careers & Stereotypes
- Finance
- Family Relationships & Conflict
- Managing Emotions & Exam Stress

# Our Core Values

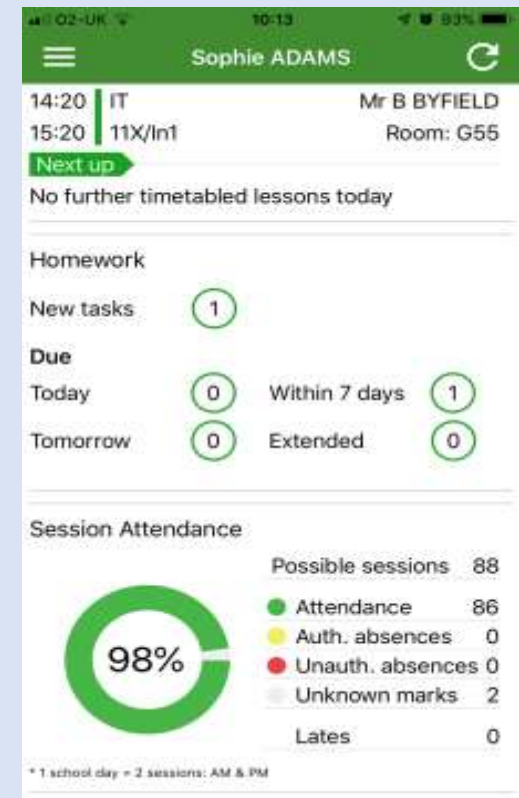
# Dormston Learner Habits



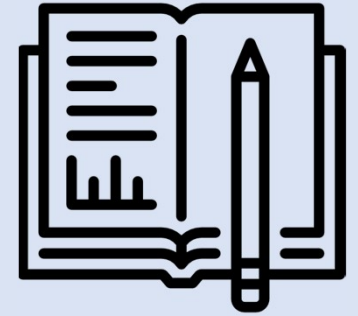
# Go4Schools App

Online access for parents/guardians to information about their children's education

- Timetable
- Homework
- Behaviour records
- Attendance
- Target Grades
- 24/7 access to today's information



# Homework



## What homework will we set?

- Homework may **practice or extend** what has been learnt in lesson and strengthen knowledge and learning.
- Or **prepare** students for learning to come in future lessons.

## Why do we set homework?

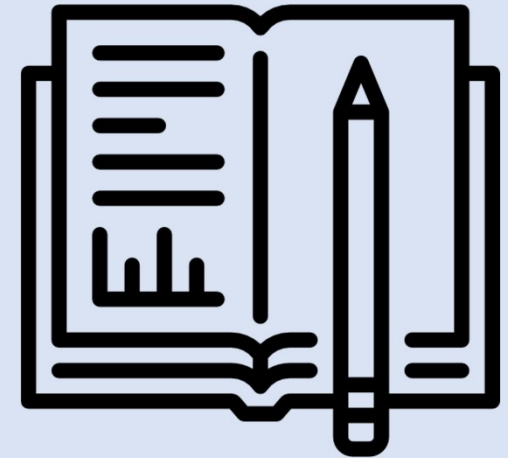
- Teaches students to manage their time
- Builds independence
- Extends knowledge
- Builds subject confidence
- Allows the subject teacher to assess their learning/knowledge
- It is a life skill – in future employment students may have to take work home and manage their own workload.

**‘Evidence-based research has shown that students who regularly complete homework tend to make greater academic progress than those who don’t’ – Education Endowment Foundation**



# Homework Policy

- Set according to homework timetable
- Will be a maximum of 40 minutes, but could be less
- Added to Go4Schools by subject teachers
- Teachers will track if it has been received on Go4Schools – **this can be seen by parents/carers**
- Teachers will use homework to further students' learning e.g. used as an activity in lesson or to inform future planning



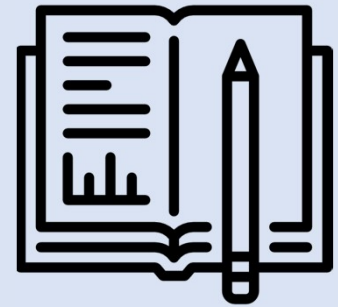
## Non-Completion:

X2 no homework in one subject = Automated message sent home

x3 no homework in one subject = Teacher contacts home

Year Strategy Leaders will also be monitoring homework completion and speaking to students who are struggling to keep on top of their homework. Homework reports will be issued if homework continues to be not completed.

# Homework Club



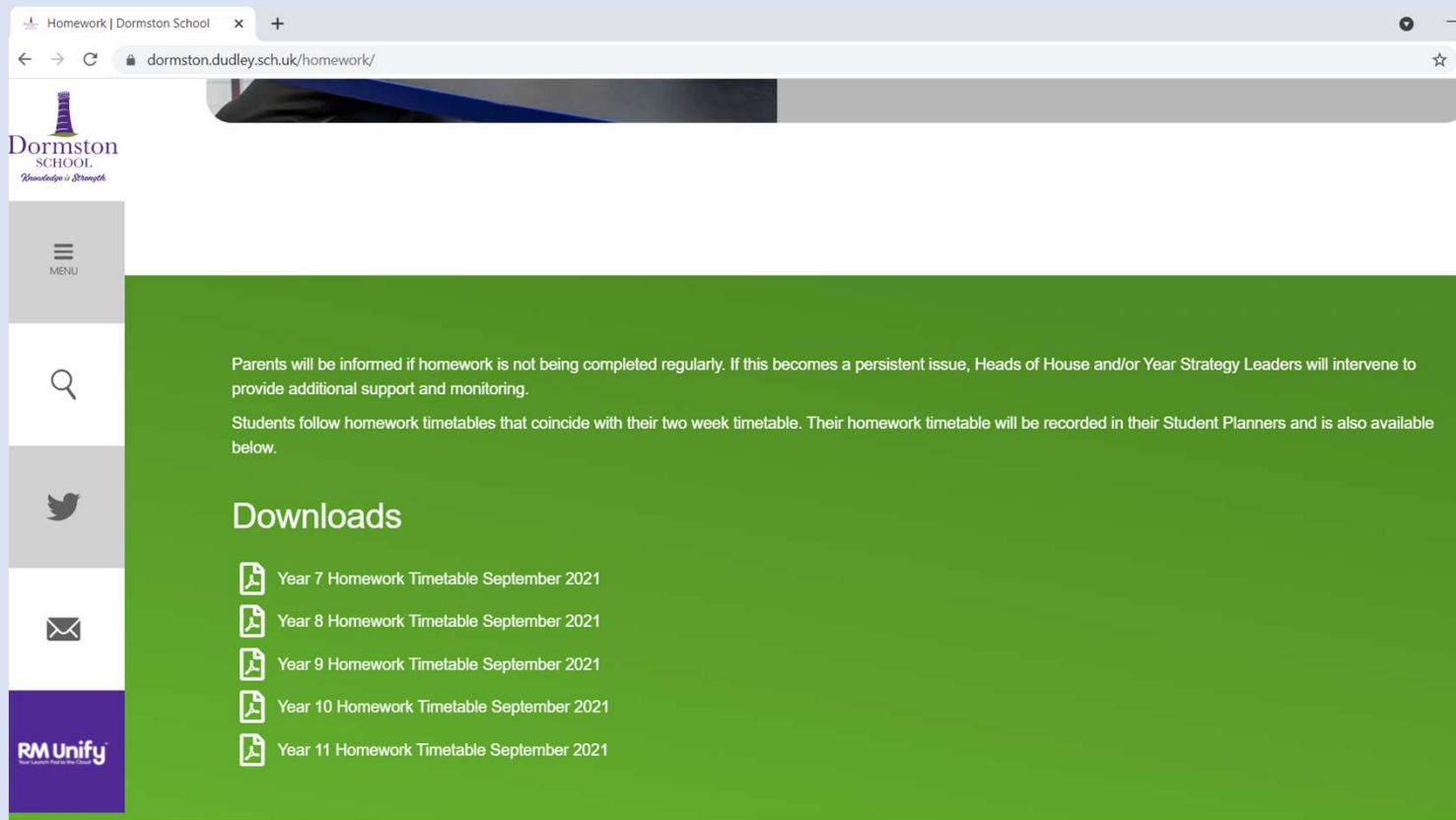
Need help or a space to work?



Monday-Friday:  
After school in the PLC

**All students welcome**

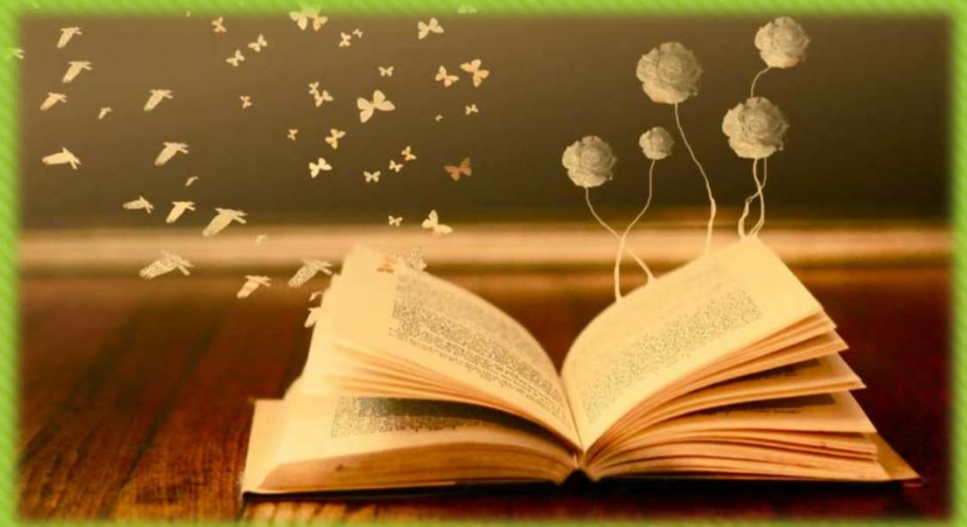
# Homework Timetables have been shared with students but also available on the school website



Click on the homework tab and scroll down

Students will be set a maximum of 2 pieces a day

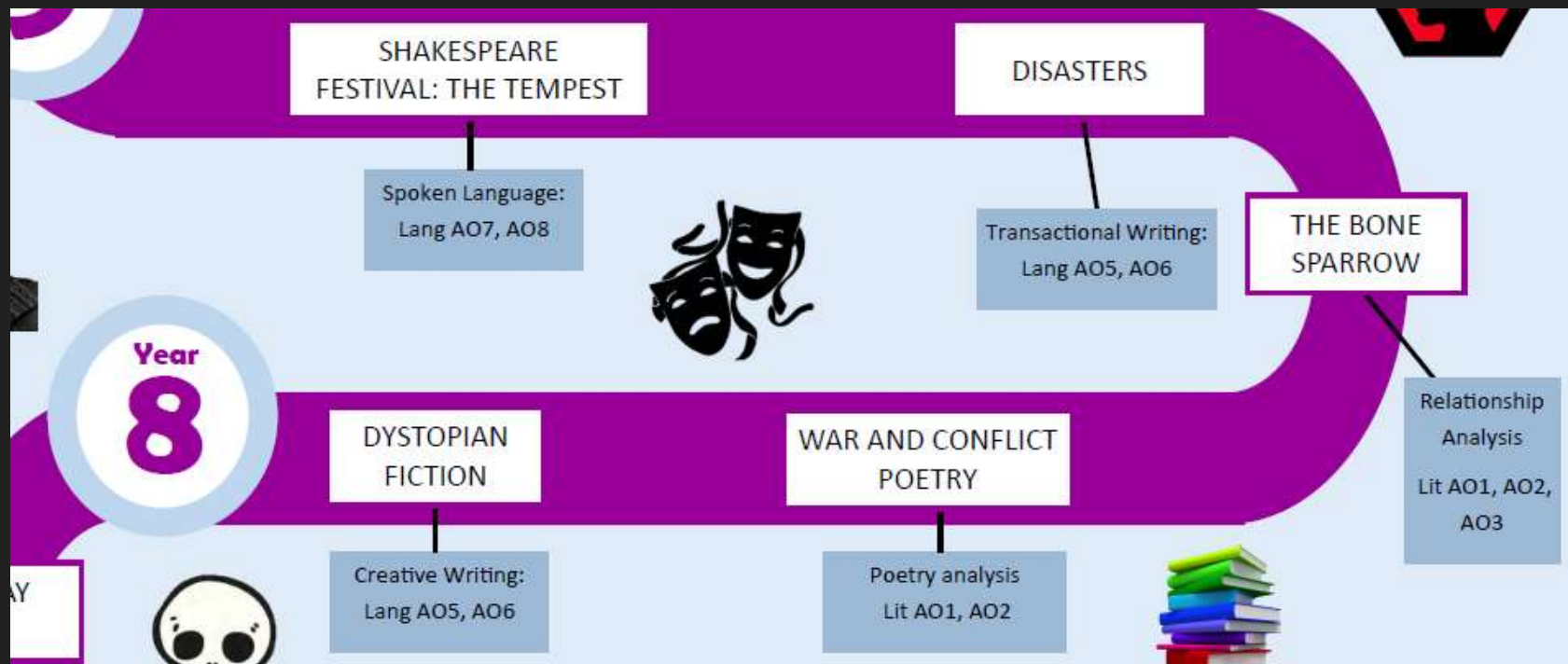




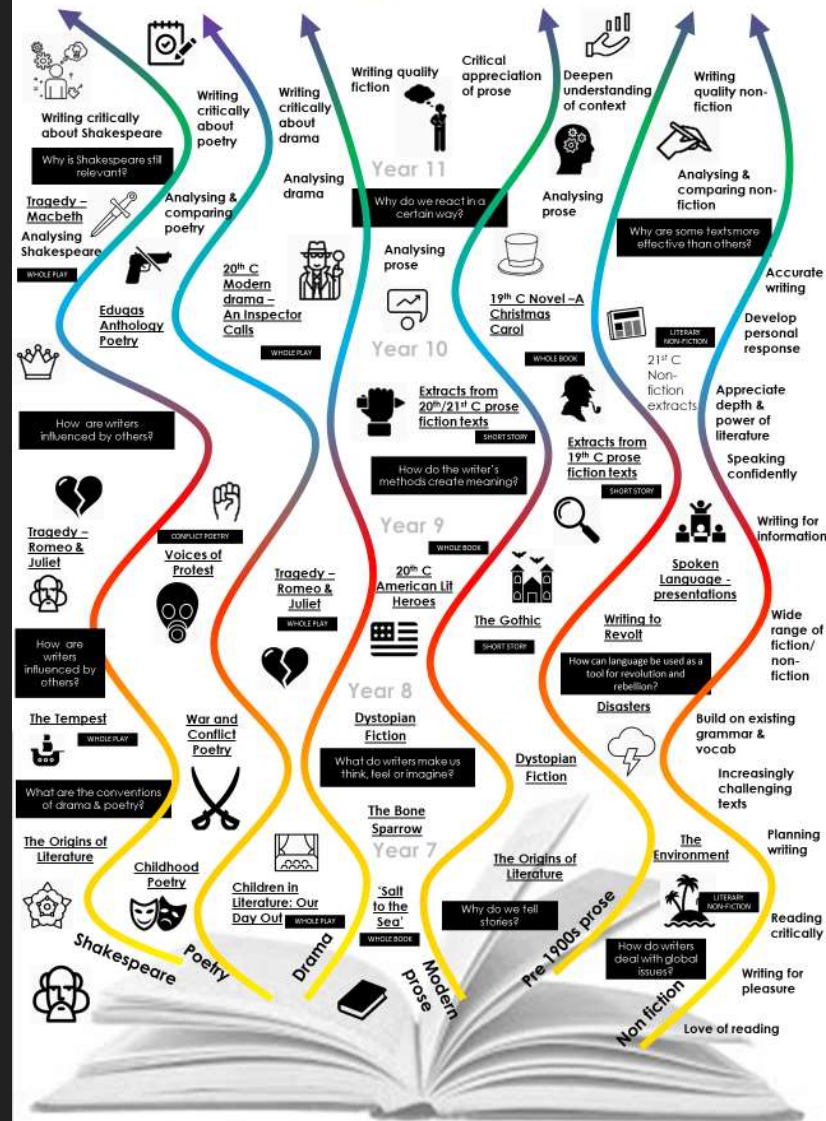
# Welcome to Year 8!

Mrs Lauren Barley  
KS3 Co-ordinator

# What Year 8 will look like...



# Read – Think – Discuss – Understand - Write



The English learning journey at Dormston



# Exploring Each Topic:

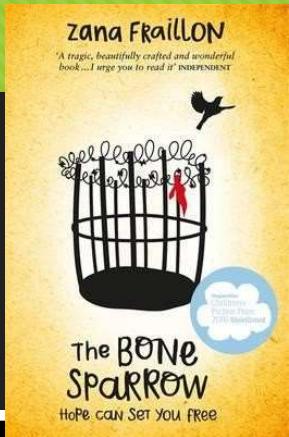


Y8 HT1  
7 weeks

Dystopian



War and Conflict  
Poetry



Y8 HT3  
7 weeks

Novel  
The Bone Sparrow

Y8 HT4  
6 weeks



Disasters  
(non-fiction  
writing)



Y8 HT6  
6 weeks

Post-Exam  
Shakespeare  
Festival  
The Tempest

# A change in approach:

- This year, The English Department are changing their approach to teaching the material for our KS3 pupils
- We want our pupils to have a rich and broad curriculum that builds upon the skills of Year 7 and lends itself to the developing and approaching challenge of Year 9



- Each child will be set homework once a week for English
  - This homework may be a prereading activity to support learning ahead of a new topic
  - Homework could also be something to challenge the understanding of a topic covered during the lesson



# Supporting Learning at Home...

- Each topic of work, your child will be provided with a Knowledge Organiser to support their understanding of the topic and aid their revision
- Support booklets are also provided for those eligible for extra provision with tasks suitable for pupils to complete work at home
- We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our parents and carers for supporting us at home



# KS3 Newsletter - Autumn

## The English Department KS3 Autumn Newsletter

**Welcome back:** We are so pleased to welcome you back into our classrooms. Hopefully you have had a much needed break and have had time to relax ahead of a busy year. Times have been incredibly tough and we all have learnt a lot over the past two years. Now is the time to prove to yourselves what you're capable of.

**Home Learning:** All resources are available for you on Go4Schools. Make sure you communicate with your class teacher to maintain the pace of the class.

### Year 7

#### Autumn 1: Myths and Legends – The Origins of Literature

What an exciting topic to start the new year with! We are thrilled to be able to offer you the opportunity to study texts right from the beginning of storytelling, learning all the fantastic writing techniques that authors have used over the centuries and building it into your own pieces of creative writing



### Year 8

#### Autumn 1: Dystopian

How fascinating for you to be able to study an entirely new genre of writing! Have you ever considered what the end of the world would be like? Or maybe if a deadly tornado rips through your town leaving it decimated? You're about to find out how to build in all these writing skills into your own writing

### Year 9

#### Autumn 1: Romeo and Juliet

One of Shakespeare's most famous plays; Romeo and Juliet. You will study the characters and relationships throughout this text so that you are fully confident with the style of language. Plunging into plots of love, suicide and revenge, Romeo and Juliet will have you on the edge of your seat!





# Reading

Led by Mr D Fox



**One in six** people in the UK struggle with literacy. This means their literacy is below the level expected of an eleven year old.

National Literacy Trust

Literacy: State of the Nation – A Picture of Literacy in the UK Today, 2010

- 41% of 11-15 year-olds in England do not participate in reading that are not required for school in their spare time.
- Biggest influence is parents.

# Benefits of reading:

- Evidence suggests that children who read for enjoyment every day...
- perform better in reading tests.
- develop a broader vocabulary.
- increased general knowledge.
- a better understanding of other cultures.
- leads to lifelong learning.
- Increased social mobility.

## 20 Minutes of Reading Tonight?

Student "A"  
reads **20 minutes**  
each day

3600 minutes in  
a school year

**1,800,000 words**



*90<sup>th</sup> percentile*

Student "B"  
reads **5 minutes**  
each day

900 minutes in  
a school year

**282,000 words**



*50<sup>th</sup> percentile*

Student "C"  
reads **1 minute**  
each day

180 minutes in  
a school year

**8,000 words**



*10<sup>th</sup> percentile*



# Parent & Pupil Reading Group



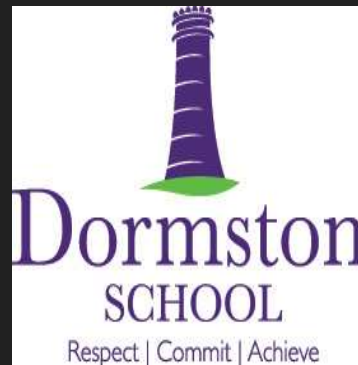
**We encourage students to read independently for at least 30 minutes per day at home.**

Please complete the reading log in your planner every day with - how many minutes reading you have done. Your parent/carer must initial this. Your planner will be checked regularly by teaching staff.

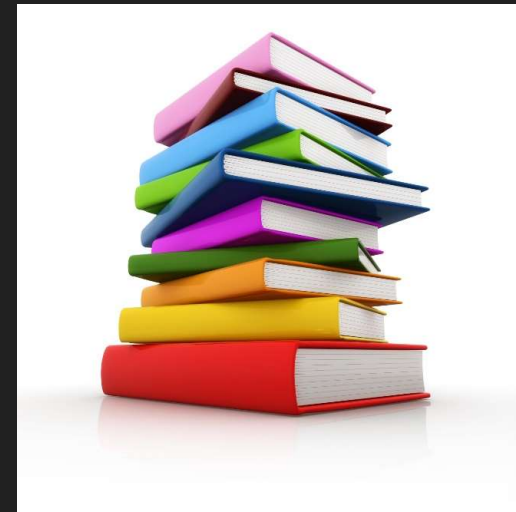
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# Parents



## Supporting Your Child's Literacy





# Resources in the home

- **85%** of young people say that they own a mobile phone or have access to one at home.
- **84%** also either own a computer or have access to one at home.
- **53%** have books of their own.



# Parental encouragement to read

- 8 in 10 young people said they get at least some encouragement to read from their mother.
- By contrast, only 7 in 10 said that their father encourages them to read to some degree.
- “Young people who get a lot of encouragement to read from their mother or father are more likely to enjoy reading, to read frequently, to have positive attitudes towards reading and to believe that reading is important to succeed in life than young people who do not get any encouragement to read from their mother or father.”





# Science at Dormston

MISS E WARD – CURRICULUM LEADER FOR SCIENCE

MRS E CHECKLEY- KS3 CO COORDINATOR

MRS R JAI- SECOND IN SCIENCE / YEAR 11

## YEAR 8 KS3 SCIENCE

The topics follow on from Year 7 but go into further depth to form the foundations of the GCSE course. Each topic will start with retrieval of the Year 7 content to ensure pupils have a secure foundation. Students will be assessed termly (1 45 minute exam) on the topic taught to date. They will also complete **one 50 minute exams during exam week** to assess knowledge and understanding.

	Topic	Links in KS3	Link to GCSE	Topic	Links in KS3	Link to GCSE
Autumn 1	<b>1 Forces</b> 1.3 Contact forces 1.4 Pressure	1.1 Speed  1.2 Gravity  2.4 Magnetism 3.3 Work	P5 Forces	<b>5 Matter</b> 5.3 Periodic Table 5.4 Elements	3.4 Heating and Cooling 5.1 Particle Model 5.2 Separating Mixtures	C1 Atomic Structure C2 Structure & Bonding C10 Using Resources P3 Particle Model P4 Atomic Structure
Autumn 2	<b>8 Organisms</b> 8.3 Breathing 8.4 Digestive System	10.2 Human Reproduction 8.1 Movement 8.2 Cells	B1 Cells  B2 Organisation	<b>2 Electromagnets</b> 2.3 Electromagnets 2.4 Magnetism	2.1 Voltage and resistance 2.2 Current	P2 Electricity
Spring 1	<b>9 Ecosystems</b> 9.3 Respiration 9.4 Photosynthesis	9.1 Interdependence 9.2 Plant Reproduction	B7 Ecology	<b>6 Reactions</b> 6.3 Types of Reaction 6.4 Chemical Energy	5.1 Particle Model 6.1 Acids and Alkalis 6.2 Metals and Non-Metals	C4 Chemical Changes
Spring 2	<b>3 Energy</b> 3.3. Work 3.4 Heating and Cooling	3.1 Energy Costs 3.2 Energy Transfer 2.1 Potential Difference and Resistance 4.1 Sound 4.2 Light	P1 Energy	<b>7 Earth</b> 7.3 Climate 7.4 Earth's resources	1.2 Gravity 4.2 Light 7.1 Earth Structure 7.2 Universe	C9 Chemistry of the Atmosphere
Summer 1	<b>4 Waves</b> 4.3 Wave Effects 4.4 Wave Properties	1.2 Speed 2.1 Potential Difference and Resistance 4.1 Sound 4.2 Light	P6 Waves	<b>10 Genes</b> 10.3 Evolution 10.4 Inheritance	10.1 Variation 10.2 Human Reproduction	B5 Homeostasis & Response B6 Inheritance, Variation & Evolution
Summer 2	Revision, End of Year Assessment & Application-Based Learning					

## YEAR 8 half termly retrieval topics



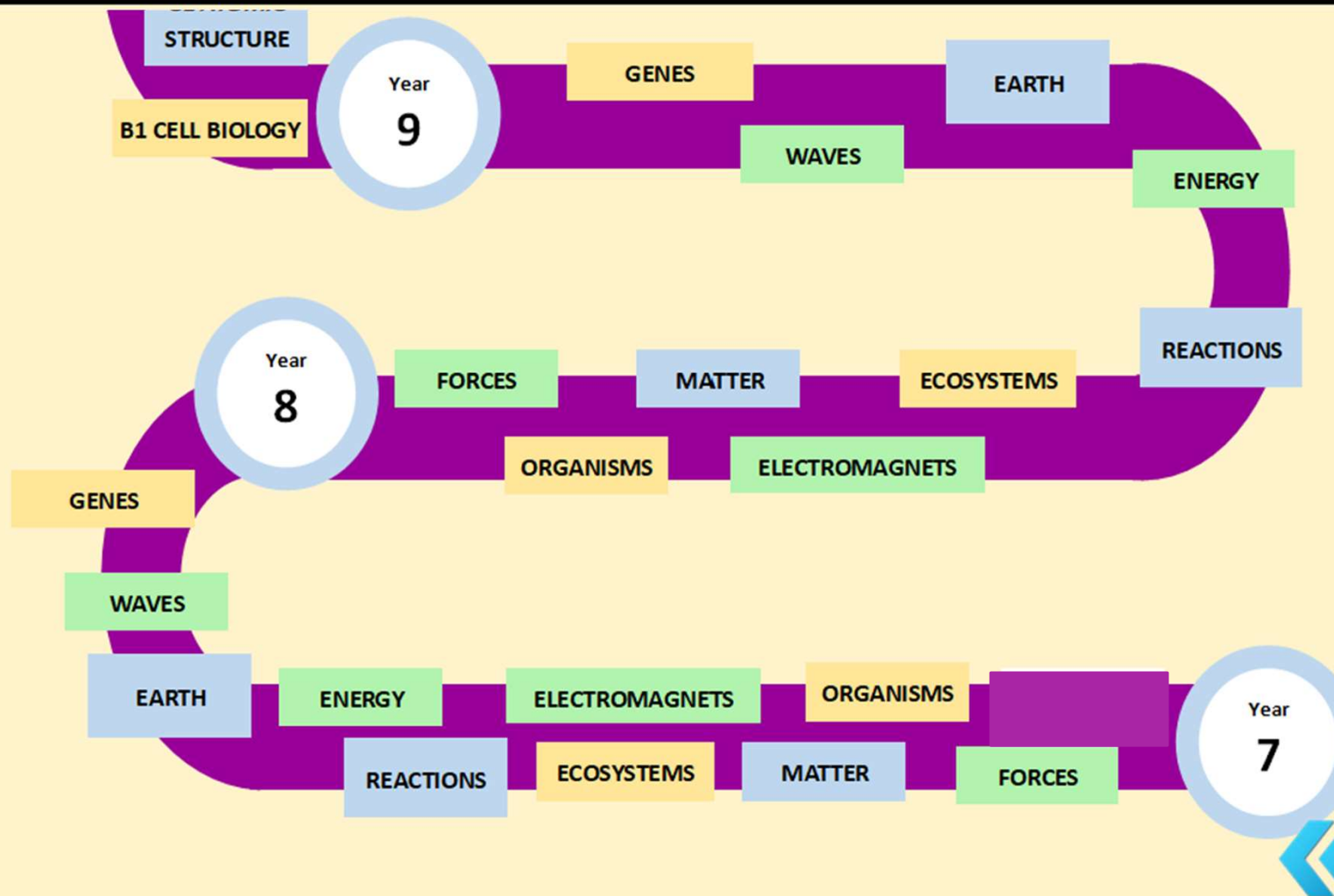
Half term	Retrieval topic focus
Autumn 1	Waves, Genes, Ecosystems
Autumn 2	Forces, Organisms
Spring 1	Matter, Ecosystems, Electromagnets
Spring 2	Forces, Reactions
Summer 1	Earth, Energy, organisms
Summer 2	Waves, Genes, Reactions



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# Science Department Learning Journey

**YEAR 7-8**





# Science books front/inside covers

		
End of year target grade		
Year 11 target grade		
Term	Grade achieved	Effort grade
Autumn		
Spring		
Summer		

Key term	Definition
atmospheric pressure	The pressure caused by the weight of the air above a surface.
centre of gravity	The point in an object where the force of gravity seems to act.
centre of mass	The point in an object where all the mass of an object seems to act.
compression	Force squashing or pushing together, which changes the shape of an object.
contact force	A force that acts when an object is in contact with a surface, air, or water.
deformation	Changing shape due to a force.
drag force	The force acting on an object moving through air or water that causes it to slow down.
elastic limit	The point beyond which a spring will not return to its original length when the force is removed.
equilibrium	State of an object when opposing forces are balanced.
extension	The difference between the original length of an object and the length when you apply a force.
fluid	A substance with no fixed shape, a gas or a liquid.
friction	Force opposing motion which is caused by the interaction of surfaces moving over one another. It is called 'drag' if one is a fluid.
gas pressure	The force exerted by air particles when they collide with a surface.

Lesson	Know	Apply	Extend
1.3.1 Friction and drag	I can identify examples of drag forces and friction. <input type="checkbox"/>	I can describe the effect of drag forces and friction. <input type="checkbox"/>	I can explain the effect of drag forces and friction in terms of forces. <input type="checkbox"/>
	I can describe how drag forces and friction arise. <input type="checkbox"/>	I can explain why drag forces and friction arise. <input type="checkbox"/>	I can explain why drag forces and friction slow things down in terms of forces. <input type="checkbox"/>
	I can write down two things an object can do when the resultant force on it is zero. <input type="checkbox"/>	I can describe what happens to a moving object when the resultant force acting on it is zero. <input type="checkbox"/>	I can interpret the motion of objects subject to drag forces and friction. <input type="checkbox"/>
	I can carry out an experiment to test a prediction of friction caused by different surfaces. <input type="checkbox"/>	I can plan and carry out an experiment to investigate friction, selecting suitable equipment. <input type="checkbox"/>	I can plan and carry out an experiment, stating the independent, dependent, and control variables. <input type="checkbox"/>
1.3.2 Squashing and stretching	I can state an example of a force deforming an object. <input type="checkbox"/>	I can describe how forces deform objects. <input type="checkbox"/>	I can explain how forces deform objects in a range of situations. <input type="checkbox"/>
	I can recognise a support force. <input type="checkbox"/>	I can explain how solid surfaces provide a support force. <input type="checkbox"/>	I can explain how solid surfaces provide a support force, using scientific terminology and bonding. <input type="checkbox"/>
	I can use Hooke's Law to predict proportional stretching. <input type="checkbox"/>	I can use Hooke's Law to predict the extension of a spring. <input type="checkbox"/>	I can apply Hooke's Law to make quantitative predictions with unfamiliar materials. <input type="checkbox"/>
	I can state how you know from that a relationship is present data in a line and identify a pattern. <input type="checkbox"/>	I can present data in a graph and identify a quantitative relationship in the pattern. <input type="checkbox"/>	I can present data in a graph and recognise quantitative patterns and errors. <input type="checkbox"/>
	I can state the law of moments. <input type="checkbox"/>	I can describe what is meant by a moment. <input type="checkbox"/>	I can apply the concept of moments to everyday situations. <input type="checkbox"/>


1. Google search: Educake

Accessing Science homework and non required work



This should be recorded in their planner but can be checked or reset with your Science teacher if needed. **Please note it is all lower case**

Student login

 Educake

Educake username  
johns0045

☐ Remember my username

Educake password  
As above

Log in



# Marking and assessment feedback

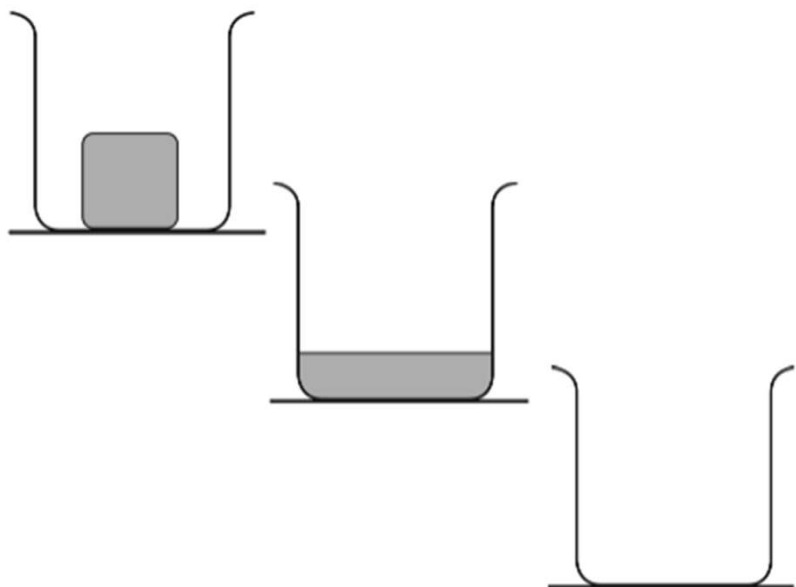
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## TASK SHEET: ICE CUBE POSTER

Some students were watching an ice cube in a beaker as it slowly melted. They were wondering why it melts. When they inspected the beaker the next lesson, the water was gone.



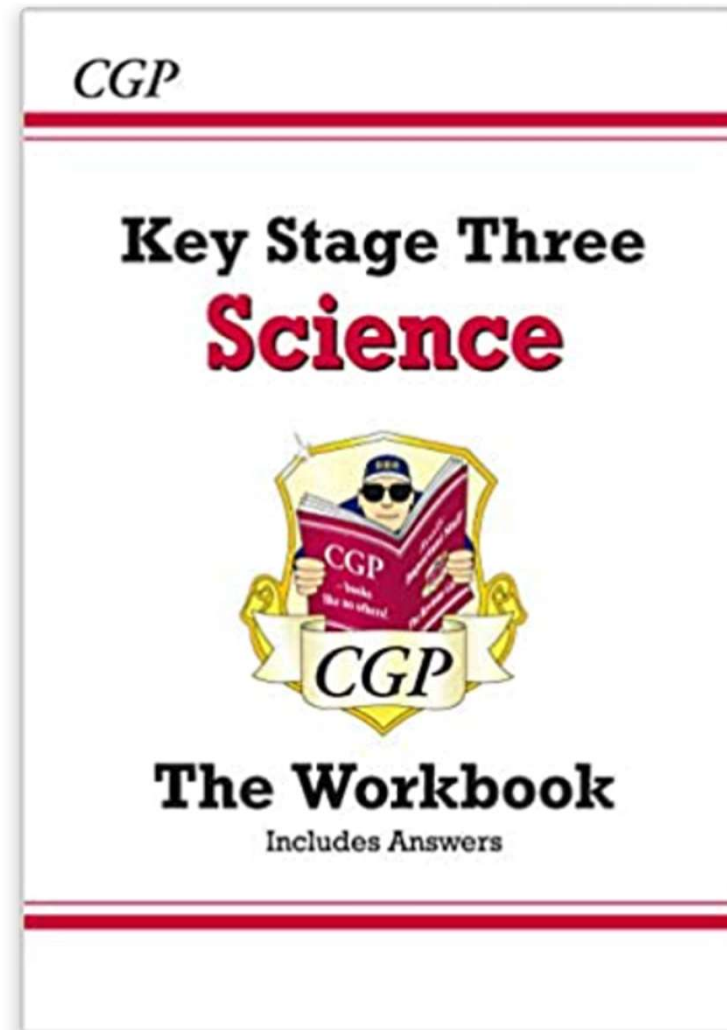
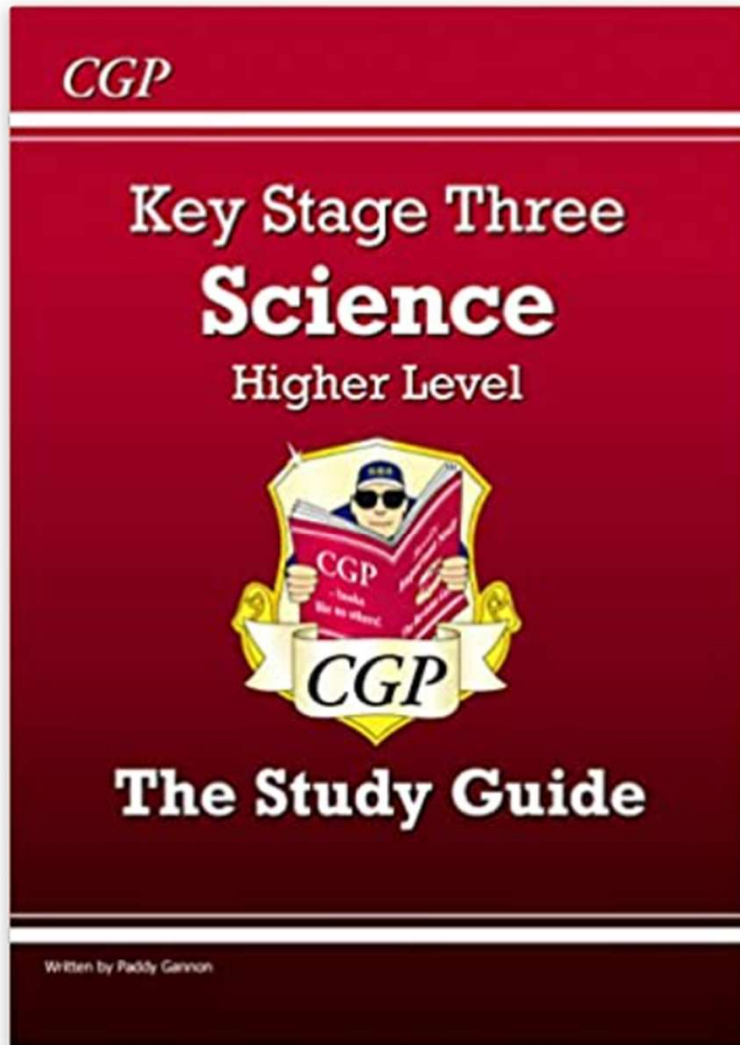
Draw a poster that explains why an ice cube melts when left out of the freezer and what happens to the water when it is left in a beaker for a while. Use a particle model to help explain your ideas.

### KEY WORDS

boiling, compressible, conservation of mass, density, energy, evaporating, fixed, forces between particles, freezing, gas, liquid, melting, moving randomly, particles, solid, solidification, states of matter, temperature, vibrating

Assessment check	What you could include:
Advanced	<p>You will have drawn a detailed poster explaining why an ice cube melts, drawing on detailed scientific knowledge and understanding. You might:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Draw a detailed particle diagram for the water particles in each state, showing that water particles are molecules.</li> <li>• Explain why energy is required for the ice to melt or evaporate and where this comes from.</li> <li>• Use the idea of melting points and boiling points to describe the changes.</li> <li>• Compare the melting and evaporating of an ice cube to observations that would be expected from other substances undergoing the same processes.</li> <li>• Use a range of appropriate scientific words, symbols and units accurately.</li> </ul>
Confident	<p>You will have drawn a poster explaining why an ice cube melts, drawing on scientific knowledge and understanding. You might:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Draw a particle diagram for the water particles in each state.</li> <li>• Explain the differences in movement and energy of the particles at each state.</li> <li>• Explain what has to happen to the particles to be able to melt or evaporate.</li> <li>• Describe whether the melting and evaporating of an ice cube is a physical or chemical change.</li> <li>• Use a range of appropriate scientific words, symbols and units.</li> </ul>
Establishing	<p>You will have drawn a simple poster explaining why an ice cube melts, drawing on some scientific knowledge and understanding. You might:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Draw a simple particle diagram for the water particles in each state, with help.</li> <li>• State how the particles are arranged in each state, what their movement is like and how much energy they have.</li> <li>• Describe what happens when the ice cube melts and when it evaporates, in terms of what would be observed.</li> <li>• State if melting and evaporating are a physical or chemical change.</li> <li>• Use some appropriate scientific words, symbols and units.</li> </ul>

## Revision guide and workbook



## Other useful *hints and websites*



- BBC Bitesize - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zng4d2p>
- Docbrown.info - <https://www.docbrown.info/ks3science.htm>
- Educationquizzes.com -  
<https://www.educationquizzes.com/ks3/science/>
- The science break –youtube channel  
<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL51jd6xG52BXZjAsGwcLXitBfPcuGgkDi>
- Revision monkey – youtube channel -  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ri8S0M2HbfM&list=PLyf3QQ9ddzgngBzZiwWcEBuRoKUYaXS6N>

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# Maths at Dormston

MISS L. JACQUES

CURRICULUM LEADER FOR MATHEMATICS

Home  
learning

		Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	Week 11	Week 12
Autumn	Algebraic Thinking							Place Value and Proportion					
	Sequences		Understand and use algebraic notation		Equality and equivalence			Place value and ordering integers and decimals			Fraction, decimal and percentage equivalence		
Spring	Applications of Number							Directed Number		Fractional Thinking			
	Solving problems with addition & subtraction		Solving problems with multiplication and division			Fractions & percentages of amounts		Operations and equations with directed number		Addition and subtraction of fractions			
Summer	Lines and Angles							Reasoning with Number					
	Constructing, measuring and using geometric notation			Developing geometric reasoning				Developing number sense		Sets and probability		Prime numbers and proof	



		Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	Week 11	Week 12
Autumn	Proportional Reasoning							Representations					
	Ratio and scale		Multiplicative change		Multiplying and dividing fractions			Working in the Cartesian plane		Representing data		Tables & Probability	
Spring	Algebraic techniques							Developing Number					
	Brackets, equations and inequalities				Sequences	Indices		Fractions and percentages		Standard index form		Number sense	
Summer	Developing Geometry							Reasoning with Data					
	Angles in parallel lines and polygons		Area of trapezia and circles		Line symmetry and reflection			The data handling cycle			Measures of location		



	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	Week 11	Week 12
Autumn	Reasoning with Algebra						Constructing in 2 and 3 Dimensions					
	Straight line graphs	Forming and solving equations	Testing conjectures				Three dimensional shapes	Constructions and Congruency				
Spring	Reasoning with Number						Reasoning with Geometry					
	Numbers	Using percentages	Maths and money				Deduction	Rotation and translation	Pythagoras' Theorem			
Summer	Reasoning with Proportion						Representations					
	Enlargement and similarity	Solving ratio and proportion problems	Rates				Solving problems using graphs, tables and algebra					

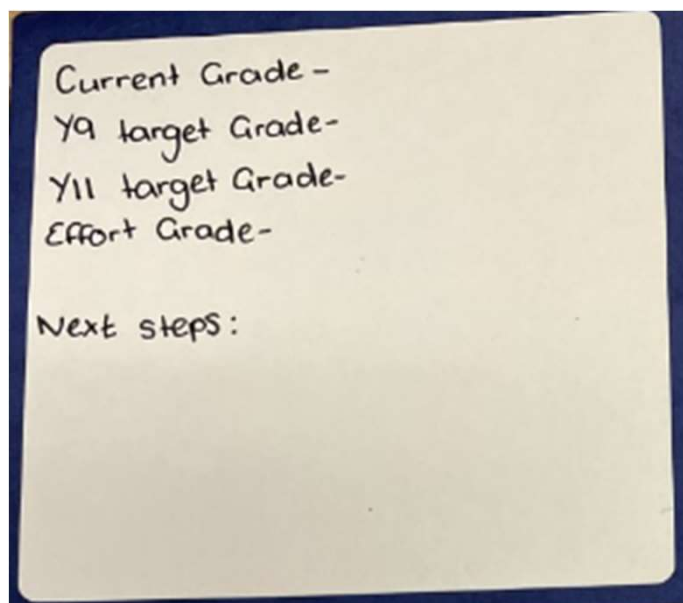
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Autumn	Similarity						Developing Algebra					
	Congruence, similarity and enlargement			Trigonometry			Representing solutions of equations and inequalities			Simultaneous equations		
Spring	Geometry						Proportions and Proportional Change					
	Angles & bearings		Working with circles		Vectors		Ratios & fractions		Percentages and Interest		Probability	
Summer	Delving into data						Using number					
	Collecting, representing and interpreting data						Non-calculator methods		Types of number and sequences		Indices and Roots	



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Autumn	Graphs						Algebra					
	Gradients & lines		Non-linear graphs		Using graphs		Expanding & Factorising		Changing the subject		Functions	
Spring	Reasoning						Revision and Communication					
	Multiplicative		Geometric		Algebraic		Transforming & Constructing		Listing & Describing		Show that...	
Summer	Revision						Examinations					

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Algebra: Sequences	<b>Autumn block 1</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recognise linear and non-linear sequences</li> </ul> <b>Autumn block 2</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Generate sequences from an algebraic rule</li> </ul>	<b>Spring block 2</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Revise and extend Y7 coverage to include more complex rules</li> </ul> Additional Higher content <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Find the rule for the <math>n^{\text{th}}</math> term of a linear sequence</li> </ul>	<b>Autumn block 3</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Testing conjectures about sequences</li> </ul> <b>Summer block 6</b> You could use the revision block to extend Y7/8 content including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Representing sequences</li> <li>Find the rule for the <math>n^{\text{th}}</math> term of a linear sequence</li> </ul>	<b>Summer block 3</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Revise and extend KS3 content, including names and types of sequences</li> </ul> Higher tier content <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Find the rule for the <math>n^{\text{th}}</math> term of a quadratic sequence</li> <li>Sequences with surds</li> </ul>	<b>Spring block 3</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review KS3 and Y10 coverage</li> </ul>
	KS3 National Curriculum			KS4 National Curriculum	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>generate terms of a sequence from either a term-to-term or a position-to-term rule</li> <li>recognise arithmetic sequences and find the <math>n^{\text{th}}</math> term</li> <li>recognise geometric sequences and appreciate other sequences that arise</li> </ul>			In addition to consolidating subject content from key stage 3, pupils should be taught to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>recognise and use sequences of triangular, square and cube numbers, simple arithmetic progressions, Fibonacci type sequences, quadratic sequences, and simple geometric progressions (<math>r^n</math> where <math>n</math> is an integer, and <math>r</math> is a positive rational number {or a surd}) {and other sequences}</li> <li>deduce expressions to calculate the <math>n^{\text{th}}</math> term of linear {and quadratic} sequences</li> </ul>	



## Maths books front/inside covers





### Feedback in Maths

As a Mathematics department, we understand that feedback on your learning is very important to help you to develop your skills and improve. These are some of the ways your Maths Teacher will provide feedback.

#### RAG sheets from MathsWatch

These RAG sheets show you your strengths and areas to improve from your 8 question MathsWatch homework tasks. Your teacher will then use these results to help you address any gaps in learning; you should also use these to watch the videos provided. You should expect these roughly twice every half term (although this may differ when you have other assessments and feedback).

Topic	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8
Topic 1	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green
Topic 2	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green
Topic 3	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green
Topic 4	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green
Topic 5	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green
Topic 6	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green
Topic 7	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green
Topic 8	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green

#### RAG sheets from Assessments

These RAG sheets show you your strengths and areas to improve from your end of term topic tests. Your teacher will then use these results to help you address any gaps in learning; you should also use these to watch the videos provided. You should expect these every term.

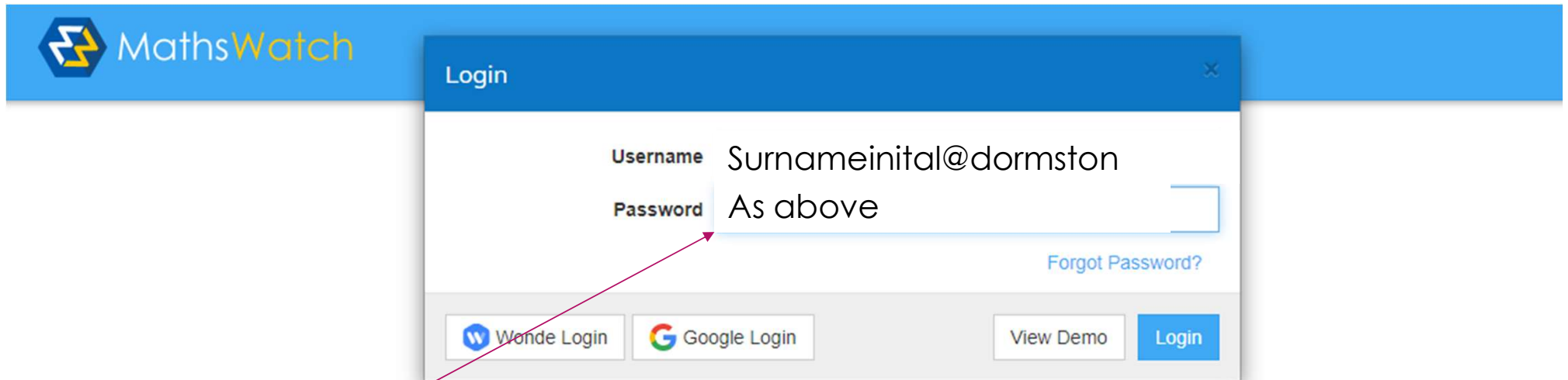
#### Mini Whiteboards

Every time you use your Mini Whiteboard, your teacher is assessing what you are learning. You will receive immediate feedback when the correct answers are shared to show you (and your teacher) where you are with your learning and to identify next steps.

#### Live Marking and Verbal Feedback

## Accessing maths watch and non required work

1. Google search: mathswatch vle



The screenshot shows the MathsWatch login interface. At the top left is the MathsWatch logo. A blue 'Login' window is centered, containing two input fields: 'Username' with the text 'Surnameinitial@dormston' and 'Password' with the text 'As above'. A pink arrow points from the text below to the password field. To the right of the password field is a link that says 'Forgot Password?'. At the bottom of the login window are four buttons: 'Wonde Login' (with a blue 'W' icon), 'Google Login' (with a colorful 'G' icon), 'View Demo', and a blue 'Login' button.

This should be recorded in their planner but can be checked or reset with your maths teacher if needed. **Please note it is all lower case**

## Difference between non required work and homework set



### Assigned Work

[This Year's Work](#)
[All Work](#)
[Showing All Types ▾](#)

Homework Average

0%

Test Average

0%

Title	Type	Assigned By	Assigned	Due	Marks	%	Grade
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# Marking and assessment feedback

Handwritten notes on grid paper:

$c, 4c, -4c, -12c, 20c$

$-8$

$+20\%$  ✓

22/03/19

Homework Feedback

Stage 8 7 Proportional Reasoning

Clip Header	Clip R1a	Clip R1b	Clip R1c	Clip R1d	Clip R1e	Clip R1f	Clip R1g	Clip R1h
TOPIC								
Question No	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8
Class Average %	83				93	77	92	
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Strengths:

Intro to Ratio

Areas to Improve:

Compound measures

Intro to Ratio

Homework Feedback

2. The ratio of red counters to blue counters is 1 : 3

11 more ✓

How many more red counters do you need to add to make the ratio of red to blue 4:13

5. There are 28 students in a class, 18 of them have of them own at least one pet. What fraction of the class own pets? Give your answer in its simplest form.

200 ml of squash is made by mixing 40ml of cordial with water. What fraction of the drink is water? Give your answer in its simplest form.

a) A car drives 80km in 2 hours. What is the average speed of the car?

b) A car drives 22km/h for 3 hours. How far does the car travel?

c) A car drives 100km at a speed of 25 km/h. How long does the journey take?

8. a) A car travels 135 miles in 2 hours and 15 minutes. What is the average speed of the car?

b) A car drives at a speed of 60km/h for 3 hours and 20 minutes. How far does the car drive?

c) A car drives 100km at an average speed of 40km/h. How long does the journey take?

100km = 400km

2.5 ✓

64.285714x

200km

2.5

Deposite improvement fab!



## Other useful *hints and websites*



- Pinpoint learning – year 11
- Corbett maths
- Maths genie
- Maths kitchen – some areas are free but can pay for premium
- Whiterose maths
- Whiterose homelearning
- Onmaths – Can register to see progress

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