

# Welcome

In this session:

Student Leadership -Natasha W and Josh M

Study Skills Curriculum - Dr. Coimbra Maths - Mr Jackson English - Ms Logan

Science - Mrs Shaw

## **Student Leadership**

Across school, you will see students who have worked hard to achieve the different levels of our Leadership Ladder.

They wear their badges with pride and a sense of success in their achievements.

## Natasha Woodham

## Joshua Maskell

Student Leadership Team 2023/24



## **Leadership Ladder for Y7 Students**

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There is a page in the student planner that details the tasks that students can complete to earn their Leadership Ladder awards.

In Year 7 students can reach the Bronze award





Students must complete 6 tasks and have them signed off by their tutor. They will be asked to provide evidence of how they have met the achievement criteria.

# What are the benefits of working towards gaining student leadership?

- Self-improvement and working on your skills is excellent preparation for life as you become older - both in the short term and your adult self
- Positive leaders are people who succeed in life. They have a Growth Mindset and a 'can do' attitude - which is also very important for wellbeing!
- You will develop your THRIVE values and feel good about yourself and proud of your achievements
- Your self confidence will develop and grow



# Study Skills Curriculum

Dr. Coimbra
AAHT KS3 Progress and
Attainment



# Study Skills

- Our Study Skills Curriculum is delivered through PD sessions in assemblies and morning meetings.
- Y7s will have 8 sessions this year including a Study Skills THRIVE day
  - The use of different study strategies and methods in subject areas to encourage greater student engagement to improve understanding.



# Study Skills

### The Why

- → How we learn:
  - ◆ The science of memory, the forgetting curve, schema, desirable difficulty
- → Criteria of effective study:
  - ◆ Time management, environment and delayed gratification
  - ◆ How to use reliable corrective feedback to set goals, importance of oracy

### The How

- → Effective study strategies:
  - Retrieval: Self-quizzing, flashcards leitner method
  - The language of note taking abbreviations
  - Summarisation: Cornell notes, delete, substitute, keep
  - Graphic organisers
  - Flaborative interrogation

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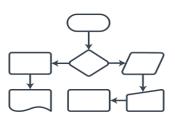
## Study Strategies

### Flash Cards



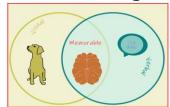
Write questions on one side and answers on the other. Try them for English, Psychology and Maths

### **Flow Charts**



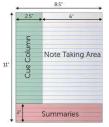
Great for revising a sequence, try them for Science, DT and Catering

### **Dual Coding**



Use images and words to condense your notes. Try it in Science, Psychology and Health

### **Cornell Notes**



Write structured notes with key words and summary points. Try them in English, History and Business

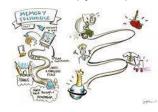
### **Knowledge organisers**



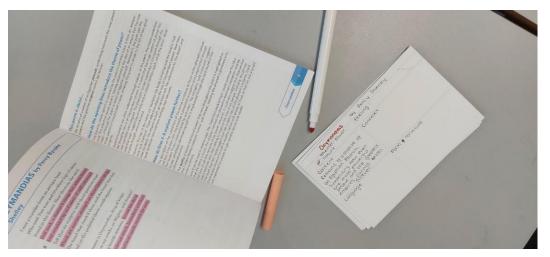
Summarise a topic on one whole page.

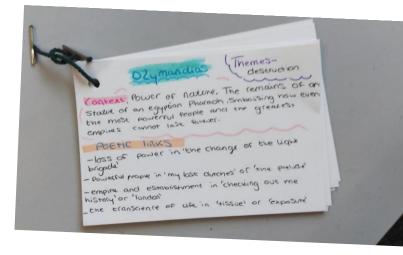
### **Method of Loci**

(memory journey)



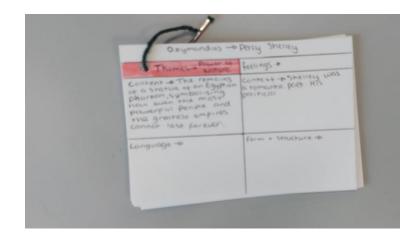
Use a familiar journey or place to memorise key facts. Try this in Science, Catering, Sport or Geography

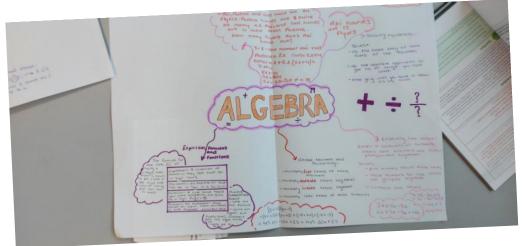




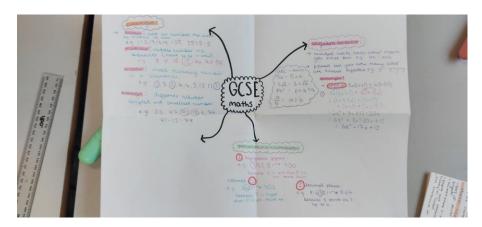
## Examples of the use of Flashcards







# Examples of the use of Knowledge Organisers



# External Assessments

### **GL and NGRT Assessments**

Y7 students have taken GL formative assessments in Science and Maths. These assessments allow us to compare students against national benchmarks and pinpoint learning gaps.

Students will sit further GL assessments, in maths at the end of the year and in science at the end of Y9. This gives us another tool, alongside internal assessments, to track progress.

All KS3 students are taking the NGRT test in English. This is a standardised assessment to measure reading skills against the national average. It can be used to identify where intervention may be needed.



## Supporting your child at home











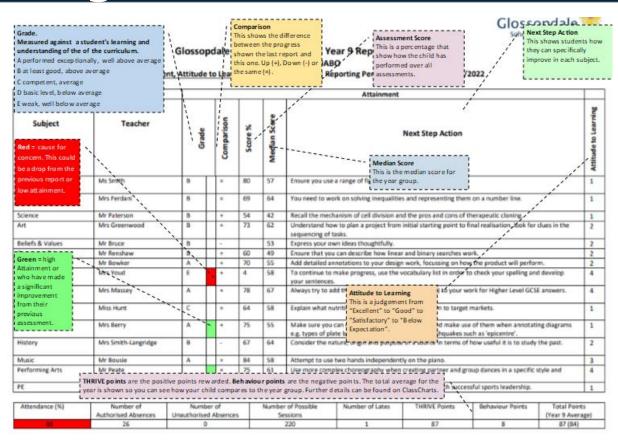


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# Reporting Home

## **Reports:**

- → Twice a year
- → Subject teachers give a grade and a next step comment
- → Full details in P.6 of your booklet



# Staying in touch



Parent newsletter

Glossopdale School & Sixth Form



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Celebration newsletter

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Class charts

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## Y7 PIE Booklet

Year 7
Parent / Carer Information Evening
Tuesday 10th October 2023







Information for parents / carers and students in Year 7

5.15pm to 5.45pm - Meet the Tutor

All of the talks will take place in the Humanities or English comidor, depending on the tutor group your child or children are in.

Humanities (Ground Floor) - 7C Sm, 7HLo, 7BBr, 7M Sw, 7EFe

English (First Floor) - 7FWs, 7DEd, 7FBs, 7\$Bs, 7CRy

5.45pm - 6.30pm - Presentations in the Theatre

English, Maths, Science, Progress and Attainment

Full of useful information from contact information and school routines to study skill strategies and how to log on to Google Classroom.



# Maths

Mr Jackson
Faculty Team Leader
Mrs Edge
Faculty Team Leader for KS3



## MATHS FACULTY - PIE YEAR 7

### **Core content**

Students studying Maths in Key Stage 3 at Glossopdale School follow a scheme of learning which is split up into three main aspects within each topic: fluency, reasoning and problem solving. It is a spiral curriculum which means that you revisit the main strands each year and develop your skills further

The curriculum taught provides plenty of exposure to reasoning and problem solving while also reviewing basic skills through Do Now tasks which are retrieval starters within the scheme to review and embed topics taught throughout the year.

Students who need extra support follow a slightly altered scheme of learning, differentiated to suit their needs concentrating on number primarily.

The scheme of learning is broken down into threshold concepts. These are the key skills required to enable students to progress to the next stage in their learning.



## Long Term Plan

### **Cycle One**

### **Number:**

Four operations
Decimals
Order of operation



### **Fractions:**

Equivalent
Four operations
Types of fraction

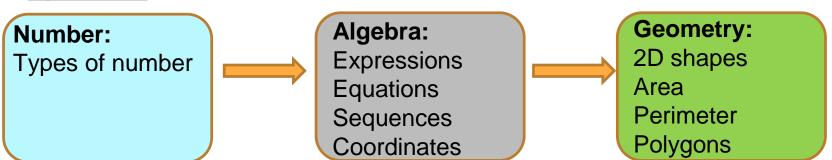


Equivalent amount



## Long Term Plan

### **Cycle Two**





## Long Term Plan

### **Cycle Three**

### **Geometry:**

Angles Volume

### **Data Handling:**

Averages
Types of charts

### **Ratio & Proportion:**

Notation Simplify

Share

**Direct proportion** 

### **Probability:**

Scale

Calculating

Sample space





## Curriculum – Key Skills

### **Number and Ratio**

- Fractions
- Percentage
- Ratio
- Indices
- Surds
- Decimals
- Proportion
- Standard form
- Rates of change

### <u>Algebra</u>

- Equations
- Identities
- Sequences
- Graphs
- Formula
- Quadratics
- Inequalities

### **Geometry and**

### **Measure**

- Area
- Volume
- Trigonometry
- Pythagoras
- Circles
- Transformation

## Statistics and Probability

- Collecting data
- Displaying data
- Probability of events occurring
- Averages
- Measure of spread



## Assessments & Homework

- Students are regularly assessed in class by doing mini-reviews and Open Book Assessments.
- Mini-reviews happen half way through a topic and allow students to show us what they know, but also allow staff to spot any gaps in understanding.
- Open Book Assessments happen at the end of a unit of work where students can use their notes to enable them to apply their knowledge.
- This is then followed by a re-teach set of lessons (if required).
- For homework, students are given a paper copy each week that is based on a topic they are currently studying, or have just studied. The homework is used to check students understanding of key concepts.



## Our Support & Your Support

- We will be starting to double staff our classes where students struggle the most. This mean there are two staff members at all times.
- All staff are available after school if a student is struggling, just go and talk to your teacher.
- Please contact us if you have any concerns or worries.
- A little bit of parental support goes a long way.





# English

Ms Logan
Faculty Team Leader for KS3

## **Our Key Stage 3 curriculum**

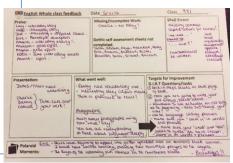
Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
New School, New Start	Modern novel: The Giver	Past vs. Present
Modern novel: The Bone Sparrow	Victorian Poetry	The Adventure of the Speckled Band – Sherlock Holmes
Our World Poetry	Animals	Poetry from Different Cultures
The Gothic	A Midsummer Night's Dream	Transactional Writing
Heroes		Romeo and Juliet
Julius Caesar		The Art of Rhetoric

Within each unit of work we embed the skills students will need at KS4. Through the different literature texts, we teach analytical reading skills and both creative and transactional writing; each unit focuses on different areas of: spelling, grammar and punctuation. We work throughout Key Stage 3 to ensure students have the skills needed for later on in their academic career. It is imperative they are equipped with research skills; ways to remember and recall chunks of course content effectively and have the ability to make revision aids successfully.

## **Assessment and Rewind in English**

- Students are assessed formally over 3 assessment cycles.
- In lessons we use multiple choice quizzes to embed knowledge and terminology.
- We use rewind to help students reflect on their learning.
- Within lessons we may also use self and/or peer assessment.
- We also use whole class feedback and messy marking to identify common errors and set targets for improvement. This is a quick and effective way of ensuring feedback is timely.
- We use model answers, visualisers and good examples of student work to scaffold and support students.
- We chose 10 key words per unit of work and embed this vocabulary throughout the scheme, using DVI to introduce.





## **Homework in English...**

<u>Vocabulary homework</u> - this is set on Google Classroom and quizzes the key terminology for the current unit of work. There are 10 words that we want students to know at the end of each unit of learning. We recap and repeat until vocabulary is embedded in long term memory.

Reading homework – Each student in Year 7 will have an Accelerated Reader book. This is selected using their ZPD which has been calculated using a reading age generated from a Star Reader test; this test is taken 3 times a year to check progress. Usually we ask students to read about 50 pages of their Accelerated Reader book each week.





### Year 7: Accelerated Reader Programme



- Students have all completed a 'Star Reading Test' which ascertains their reading level and directs them to appropriate reading material in the library and beyond.
- They are encouraged to explore the library and make independent choices according to their individual level. Guidance is given by their class teacher and the librarian if needed.

### **Accelerated Reader**

Students are now fully engaged in the programme which requires them to complete a minimum number of pages per week but, they should be aiming for at least 20 minutes reading per day.

### To help your child you could:

- create a climate for reading
- ensure they read every day
- talk to them about the books they have chosen and why
- paired reading of both fiction and nonfiction texts
- encourage variety it is important that more able students begin to embrace novels written by authors from the Literary Canon such as: Charles Dickens, Arthur Conan Doyle and Charlotte Bronte.



## Helping at home...

<u>Read with your child</u> – this could be reading the same book, the same newspaper articles, the same blogs. Discuss what you've read.

### **Ask questions like:**

 What has happened? How has the character changed? Why do you think they have chosen this setting? Why do you think ... happened? Discuss when the book was written – does this have an impact on the writing?

### Keep an eye on homework that has been set.

- Check basic organisation keep an eye on deadlines.
- Students should always have a challenging reading book with them.
- Has homework been completed fully? Is their spelling, grammar, punctuation correct?



# Science

Mrs Shaw
Faculty Team Leader for KS3



### **Science Topics - Year 7**

### Biology:

### Organisms

Cells

### Genes

- Variation
- Reproduction

### **Ecosystems**

Interdependence

### Chemistry:

### Matter

- Elements, compounds and mixtures
- Separating mixtures
- Particles
- The periodic table

### Reactions

Chemical and physical change

### Physics:

- Energy stores and transfers
- Energy for work
- Introduction to Forces
- Effects of forces
- Magnetism
- Electricity
- Universe
- Magnetism
- Sound



## Science key dates

## <u>Assessments</u> <u>Year 7</u>

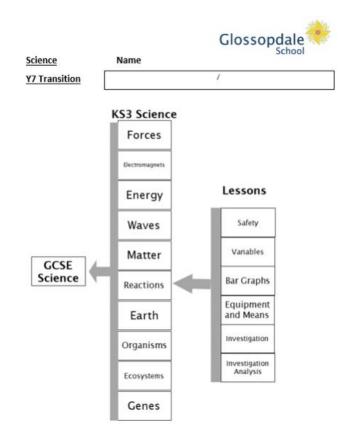
Assessment 1 = week 16 (w/b 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024)

Assessment 2 = week 33 (w/b 10<sup>th</sup> June 2024)



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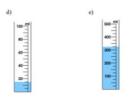
#### Lesson 2: Variables

1. Complete tasks 1 and 2 below:

#### TASK 1- Reading scales

Read each scale and write the value shown on it on the space provided. Don't forget to add the units.



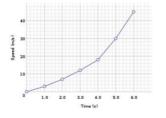


#### Line graph checklist

Looking at my graph I see	Tick
Uses most of the page	
Drawn with pencil	
Ruler used	
Evenly spaced scales	
Scales on both axes start at zero	
x-axis label – time taken to boil (s)	
y-axis label – number of ice cubes	
Points plotted as little crosses	
Straight or smooth curved line of best fit	

TASK 2 - Drawing graphs
Use the data in the table underneath to draw a line graph like the one below, on the square paper on the next page.

#### Example of a line graph





## Lesson Structure – Do now

Every lesson starts with a Do now based on retrieval of a past topic – this is in line with their homework retrieval

These are from the key questions from each topic



Monday, 09 October 20

#### Do Now

- 1. What is the definition of a contact force? A force that requires physical contact.
- 2. What is the definition of a non-contact force? A force that doesn't require physical contact.
- 3. What is a resultant force? The resultant force is the overall force due to the combination of forces.
- 4. What does it mean if an object is in equilibrium?

The forces on it are balanced.

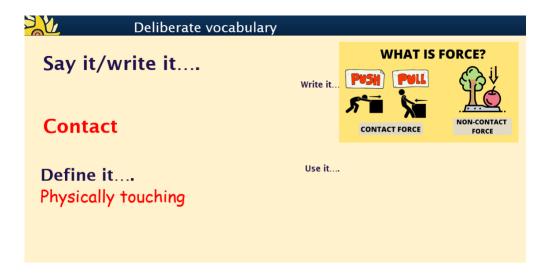
Challenge: What is friction?

A force that acts in the opposite direction of motion.



## Lesson Structure – Deliberate Vocabulary

- Within each lesson there will be a DV slide
- This is chosen as the most important piece of vocabulary for that lesson





Students will be given homework once a week.

It will be put on google classroom and they should write it in their planners.

This will take the form of

- >Key questions on retrieval of previous topics
- ➤ Educake (software)



## Retrieval of previous topics



Knowledge Booklet
Cycle 1
Year 7



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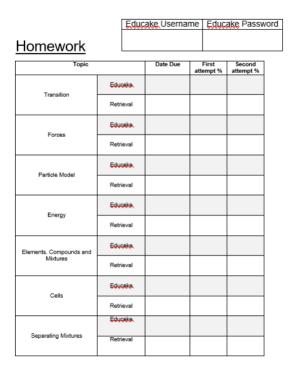
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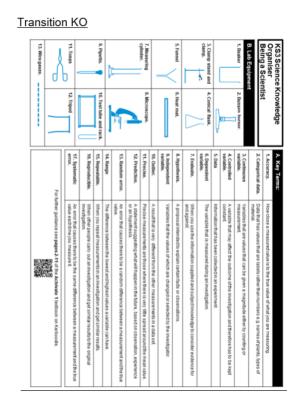
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## Retrieval of previous topics







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Transition Key questions.				
State a lab safety rule	Do not enter a lab unless a teacher is present. No eating or drinking. Wear safety goggles. Keep long hair tied back. Do not run in the lab.			
What colour is a safety flame?	Yellow flame			
Is the air hole open on a safety flame?	Closed			
How do you calculate the mean of a set of numbers?	Add up the numbers and divide by how many numbers there are			
What is an independent variable?	The variable that you change			
What is a dependent variable?	The variable that you measure			
What is a control variable?	The variable that you keep the same			
What does apparatus mean?	Equipment			

#### Transition - Retrieval Quiz

#### Y7 Retrieval Quiz - Introduction to Science

#### Section 1: Multiple Choice Questions

Choose the correct response to each of these questions:

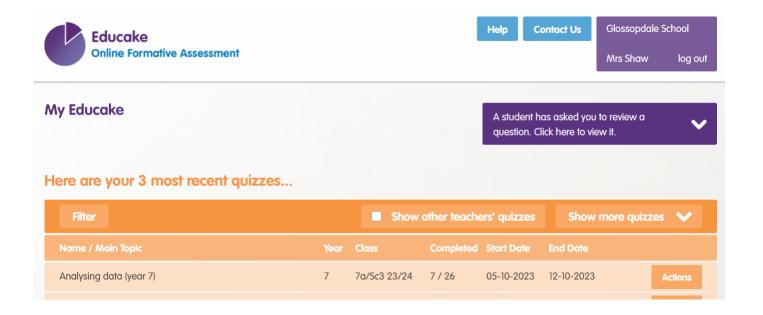
- 1) What is the meaning of this hazard symbol?
  - A) Flammable
  - B) Corrosive
  - C) Radioactive
  - D) Toxic



- 2) What is the meaning of this hazard symbol?
  - A) Flammable
  - B) Corrosive
  - C) Radioactive
  - D) Toxic
- 3) Which one is these is NOT a safety rule in the lab?
  - A) No eating or drinking.
  - B) Keep long hair loose.
  - C) Wear safety goggles.
  - D) Be quiet and sensible during lab work.
- 4) An independent variable is the one we
  - A) Measure in an investigation
  - B) Keep the same in an investigation
  - C) Put on the y-axis on the graph of our results
  - D) Change in an investigation
- 5) Which of these should we NOT do when drawing a bar chart?
  - A) Bars same size and separated
  - B) Labelled X-axis
  - C) Evenly spaced scales
  - D) Pen used to plot the points



# Educake (online) www.educake.co.uk





## **Literacy Questions**

Students will have a literacy question at the end of each topic

This will be based on

- ➤ Newly taught work
- **≻**Misconceptions
- ➤ Key Concepts

This will be marked for literacy as well as Science.