A Parental Guide to Revision and Independent Study at Home
How to build up to GCSE success

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- Yr 7 – establish a calm, organized space and time for work at home – 7 steps

1. Choose an area you associate with learning;
2. Clear the clutter;
3. Make sure your space is comfortable;
4. Organize your files;
5. Eliminate distractions;
6. Gather your study materials;
7. Organise your time.
Yr 8: How to revise better for you – 8 for Yr 8...
In primary school, you might have used: ‘Look, Cover, Spell, Check’ to revise your spellings.

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<td>Look carefully at your word. Notice word parts. Think of other words that have the same pattern.</td>
<td>Flip your card over so you can no longer see the way it is spelled. Visualize what it looks like.</td>
<td>Say the word. Stretch the word out and listen to the letter sounds. Try spelling the word. Does it look right?</td>
<td>Flip the card over and check your spelling. If you spelled it correctly, go on to the next word. If it is not correctly spelled, move the same card down the flow chart again.</td>
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Mind map – you don’t have to create a work of art

- Overview
- Easy to memorize
- Simple, fast & fun
- Benefits
- Collaboration
- Team work
- Sharing
- Colleagues
- More efficient
- Intuitive
- Productivity
- Creativity
- Planning
- Projects
- Goals
- Strategies
- Ideas
- Innovation
- Thoughts
Highlight

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Highlight only important stuff
Code
Less is more
DIY Flashcards

- Fat Burn Zone
- Altered reciprocal inhibition
- Straight Method
Post-it's – everywhere
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Record

- Funny accents;
- Different people;
- Short and snappy;
- Quotations – beat the recording to the end.
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Testing is an efficient way to revise and is an essential part of the process. Even writing a test for yourself is a means of revision. So, nine test tips for Yr 9...
• Rewrite your revision notes out one evening and miss words out – fill them in in the morning;
• Record yourself asking questions;
• Use online exam papers;
• Get a friend, or friends, to write a test for you;
• Test each other on social media;
• Have treats that you can only have if you score a certain amount;
• Revise from a mind map and then – after a period of time – cover it and try to recreate it;
• Scribble answers as long as you can read them and bin them when you are done – just remember the thing that you still need to revise;
• Call it a quiz.
Yr 10 Pomodoro System

- 25 mins – no distractions
- 2–5 mins – break
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- 25 mins – no distractions
- 15 mins – break
- Repeat x 2–5
Yr 10 6+6 Coaching
19th January
Saturday mornings from 09:00
3 hours of bespoke learning
one grade difference in all subjects
Thank you for attending