# Welcome to the **Y7 Information** Evening

### 5<sup>th</sup> October 2023





## **Attitude to Learning**

"We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, therefore, is not an act, but a habit."

	Engagement in			Independent
Learning	Learning	for Learning	for Learning	Learning



KS3 – Y7-8	KS4 Y9-Y11	KS5 Y12-13
We BUILD great	We <b>DEVELOP</b>	We <b>MASTER</b>
learning habits	great learning	great learning
	habits	habits
By binding the	By further Developing	We want our students
learning habits and	students learning	to be successful for
attitudes we are	habits and attitudes	school and life and
looking for we are	we are helping them	mastering learning
setting the correct	to <b>SUCEED</b> in their	habits is the key to
tone in order for	KS4 pathways	this in order for them
students to LEARN		to <b>THRIVE</b> as lifelong
effectively		learners

Each key stage has its own A2L criteria as each stage of learning requires you to develop your habits further



<b>KS3</b> (Y7-8)	Behaviour for Learning	Engagement in Learning	Responsibility for Learning	Feedback for Learning	Independent Learning
LEVEL 4 (top level)	Being respectful and:	Embracing learning and:	Being responsible and:	Being inquisitive and	Being determined and:
We <b>BUILD</b> great learning habits	* <b>Always</b> curious and very interested in learning	* <b>Always</b> displays high levels of concentration for full lessons	* <b>Always</b> fully equipped for learning (books, pens, kit etc)	*Always uses feedback to improve pieces of work and future work – often responds to	*Always meets all homework deadlines and manages time very well (i.e. balances school work with
By building the right learning habits you are gaining the skills you need in order				written or verbal feedback and improves/corrects their work without being directly told to do so by the teacher	extracurricular activities and other commitments)
for you to <b>LEARN</b> effectively		•		·	

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#### Y7 & Y8 ATTITUDE TO LEARNING – BUILDING GREAT LEARNING HABITS at HIGH STORRS SCHOOL

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#### We Learn by:

	A2L	Behaviour for Learning	Engagement in Learning	Responsibility for Learning	Feedback for Learning	Independent Learning
		Being respectful and:	Embracing learning and:	Being responsible and:	Being inquisitive and:	Being determined and:
To succeed	Building Level 4	*Always curious and very interested in learning. *Always sticks with work even when challenging and values mistales as a way of learning *Always a nole model for others - meeting all expectations for excellent conduct both in lessons and outside lessons	*Always displays high levels of concentration for full lessons *1 highly skilled at listening and talking in pairs, small groups, as a whole class. *Always makes valuable contributions to discussion – often building on or challenging others' ideas. *Always punctual to lessons	*Always fully equipped for learning (books, pens, kit etc) *Very fligh standard of organisation of notes, books and folders and uses notes well to prepare for quizzes and assessments *Werk is greatement to a very high standard all the time *All learning activities are always competend to a high standard and estension work is often tackled	*Always uses feedback to improve pieces of work and future work = often responds to written or verbal feedback and improves/convects their work without being directly told to do so by the teacher *Can talk about own strengths and weathnesses as a learner	*Always meets all homework deadlines and manages time very well (i.e. balances school work with extracurricular activities and other commitments) *Always completes independent work to a high standard (e.g., homework and extended project work in lessons) *Has developed effective revision skills and prepares well for tests and assessment *Always pro-actively catches up on work missed (i.e. copies up notes from a friend if they missed the lesson)
-		Being respectful and:	Embracing learning and:	Being responsible and:	Being inquisitive and:	Being determined and:
To succeed	Building Level 3	*Usually curious and always interested in learning *Sicks with work even when challenging and increasingly values mistakes as a way of learning *Meets all expectations for *Weets all expectations for very good conduct both in lessons and outside lessons	*Maintains high levels of concentration for the lesson including extended activities and tasks *is skilled at listening and taiking in pairs, small groups, as a whole class. *Makes regular and valuable contributions to discussion - can build on or challinge other'i idea. *Punctual to lessons	*Usually fully equipped for learning (books, pens, kit etc) *Usually a high standard of organisation of notes, books and folders and uses notes well to prepare for quitzes and assessments *Werk is usually presented to a high standard *Learning activities are usually completed to a high standard and sometimes tackles extension work	*Uses Feedback to improve pieces of work and future work *Can talk about own strengths and weathnesses as a learner	*Usually meets all deadlines and manages time very well (@balances school work with extracuricular activities and other commitments) *Completes independent work to a high standard (e.g., homework and extended project work in lessons) *Uses effective revision stells to prepare for tests and assessments *Works with the teacher and peers (e.g. borrowing a friend's book) to catch up on any work missed
		Being respectful and:	Embracing learning and:	Being responsible and:	Being inquisitive and:	Being determined and:
To Learn	Building Level 2	*Mestly shows curious in their learning (and can be very enthauiatis about some topics) *Mestly aticks with work even when challenging, may require some support from peers or adults * Meets most expectations for very good conduct both in lessons and outside lessons	*Developing the ability to concentrate through-out the lesson including extended activities and tasks. May need the odd reminder to re-focus on learning *Developing speaking and listening skibs - can respond well when given a focused task in parks or asked a question in whole class work **Mostly on time to lessons	Often comes equipped for learning (books, pens, kit est) % developing organisation skills (e.g., sheets stuck in, folder in correct order) Work is mostly presented to a good standard * Learning activities are often completes to a high standard but may needs some prompts to complete notes or add greater depth and detail	*Is developing use of teacher feedback to improve work (i.e. can correct main mistakes/miscenception s) *Is developing self- reflection sitis (i.e. can identify strengths and area to improve on in their work or the choices they made in their work)	<ul> <li>Is developing time management skills - meets most deadlines for homework - Most homework is completed independently and to a good standard *Revision skills are developing (i.e. they can use one or two simple methods) *With support from the teachers catches up on work missed</li> </ul>
To Learn	Building Level 1	Being respectful and: *Beginning to show interest in learning (@ enthui/astic dout some topics/astivitio) *Beginning to astempt difficult tasks *Beginning to avoid difficult tasks *Beginning to avoid difficult tasks *Beginning to avoid difficult tasks *Beginning to avoid difficult tasks	Embracing learning and: *Beginning to show concentration within lessons, may need reminders to re- focus on learning *Beginning to work well with others and respond when given a focused task in pairs or asked a question in whole class work *Mostly on time to lessons	Being responsible and: *Mostly comes equipped for learning (but sometimes forgets book; kit or equipment) *With support work is increasingly organised (a.g. sheets stuck in, folder in correct order) *Presentation of work is mixed but improving (e.g. needs to use ruler) *Sometimes completes learning activities. Effort is mixed — sometimes this hard	Being inquisitive and: *With support can use feedback to improve or correct work	Being determined and: *Beginning to hand homework in on time *Beginning to complete homework (including re-reading notes to prepare for tests) independently (guesthout reminders or holp) *Beginning to work alone in lessons when teacher provides initial support and scalfold

#### Below Building Level 1

Learn Building Y7 & Y8 81 82 83 8

This diagram shows typical expected progression. However, it is merely a guide. A 18 student may be working at 81 and a Y7 student at 84 ... there are always outliers.

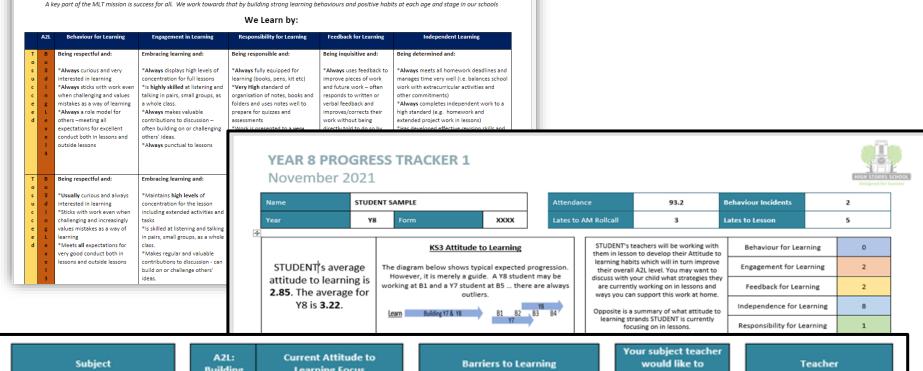
### **KS3** (Y7-8)

### A2L grid

### 4 levels

### Building great learning habits





Subject	A2L: Building	Current Attitude to Learning Focus			Barriers to Learn	nin	g		would lik recognise			Teacher	
ENGLISH	B2	Engagement for Learning		Q	uality of Work			[				Miss G. Allen	
MATHEMATICS	B3	Feedback for Learning		N	o Concerns			[				Mr B. Lowe	
ART	B3	Feedback for Learning		N	o Concerns			[				Mrs V. Robinson	
		ENGLISH	В		Engagement for Learning		Quality of Wor	ĸ				Miss G. Allen	
		MATHEMATICS	B		Feedback for Learning	1	No Concerns					Mr B. Lowe	_
		ART	B	3	Feedback for Learning		No Concerns					Mrs V. Robinson	
		COMPUTING	B	2	Independence for Learning		No Concerns			Curi	osity	Mr M. Davies	
		DANCE	B	3	Independence for Learning		No Concerns					Miss E. Palmer	
		DESIGN TECHNOLOGY	B	3	Independence for Learning		No Concerns					Miss B. Bradshaw	
		FRENCH	B	3	Responsibility for Learning		No Concerns			Engag	ement	Mr J. Mills	
		GEOGRAPHY	B	2	Independence for Learning		Organisation					Mrs J. McManus	
		HISTORY	B	2	Independence for Learning		Independent V	Vk				Mr M. Hutchinson	
		PE	B	3	Independence for Learning		No Concerns					Mr M. Bennehan	
		PSHCEE	B	4	Engagement for Learning		No Concerns			Contri	butions	Mr I. O'Connor	
	Constant of the local division of the local	RE	B	4	Independence for Learning		No Concerns			Curi	osity	Mrs J. Collins	
		SCIENCE	B	3	Independence for Learning		No Concerns					Miss J. Armitage	

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# **Y7 Information Evening:**

# HOMEWORK



# Why do HW?

- Students take responsibility for own learning.
- Space and time for deep thinking.
- Extends, reinforces and aids longer term retention.
- Practise skills -> mastery and high achievement.
- More time on content & methods.
- Good work habits:

**Organisation**, self-discipline & time management.

- Regular feedback to students about progress.
- Home and school working together.



# **Retention / Memory**

A typical forgetting curve shows that our newly learned knowledge and made memories

are halved in a matter of days or weeks unless the information is reviewed.

First Learned Reviewed Reviewed Reviewed 100% Retention 90% 80% 70% 60% 50% 2 3 6 1 5 Time Remembered (Day)

**REVIEWING TO REMEMBER** 

After learning something, our memory of it will decline over time unless we review it. The more review it, the stronger we make the memory, the longer we can remember it.

When exposed to the same material repeatedly, it takes less time to pull the information from your long-term memory.



# What should students do outside of lessons? Term 1:

- Half an hour's formal HW every week for: English, Maths and Science (and Classics when the lessons are on)
- 2 half-hour HWs in each six-week block of Art.
- Occasional informal HW from other subjects.
- Regular independent review of what students have been learning in lessons.
- Attend at least 1 extra-curricular activity



# What should students do outside of lessons? The rest of Y7 & Y8:

- Half an hour's formal HW every week for Eng, Maths, Sci, French, Geog, Hist & Classics.
- 2 half-hour HWs in each Art rotation
- Occasional informal HW from other subjects.
- Regular independent review of what students have been learning in all lessons.
- Attend at least 1 extra-curricular activity



# How will HW be set?

All HW is set on Satchel:One / Show My HW





- Log-in details for the school computer network, school email and Satchel:One accounts were issued to Y7 students in their first Computing lesson this term.
- Students can access Satchel:One on a pc, tablet or smart phone.
- Parents can also access Satchel.
   An email was sent a couple of weeks ago explaining how to get on - parent codes are visible on your child's account in 'Account settings'.

### **Student view**

Container for Food tech

Don't forget to bring your container for your next food lesson. homework 7LY3/Dt - Food - Miss C. Mulrennan

#### Yr 7 drawing homework1

Vou are to create a drawing in your homework book from an object you can put i... November homework 7LYX/Ar - Art - Mr R. Parker

#### PEEE Character writing on Lady Geranium Spencer and Marion Thorne

Hello, I would like you to write 2 PEEE paragraphs (one on Lady Geranium & amp; ... homework **7LYY/En** - English - Mr G. Scrupps

#### Food labels

Complete the attached sheet.Use the ppt instructions to help you. homework **7LYY/Sc** - Science - Mrs E. Richards-gourves



November

Monday

Friday

November

Friday

Wednesday

November

# WHEN will HW be set?

- Teachers will agree with classes the best day to regularly set and collect the HW
- Any HW not done will be followed up by the subject teacher



# **FOLLOW-UP**

Any problems? Please let us know **Disorganised?** ..... We'll help you to improve your approach and develop good habits

### **English at High Storrs**



Head of English: Joe Caldwell jcaldwell@highstorrs-mlt.co.uk



Second in English: Hannah Cohen <u>hcohen@highstorrs-mlt.co.uk</u>

English KS3 Lead: Will Newton wnewton@highstorrs-mlt.co.uk



### KS3 mission

- To build on the knowledge, skills and enthusiasm for English fostered at Key Stage Two.
- To teach a **diverse range of high quality literary texts** in order to engage and challenge students, developing open, curious and enquiring learners.
- To convey and encourage a love of language, vocabulary and precision with words.
- To encourage students to develop empathy for those in very different situations via the texts studied.
- To give students a sense of the scope, impact and tradition(s) of literature.
- To enable students to make connections between different texts, and between texts and contexts, and use these to explore ideas.









### Y7 English

### Aims of the year:

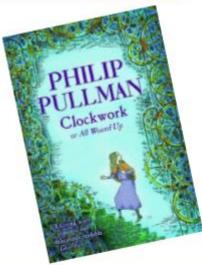
- Engagement with literature
- Learning to love English
- Cultural capital
- Reading skills
- Writing skills













### **Y7 teachers**

#### 2 hour teacher

- Experienced teacher delivering the core English reading curriculum
- Current focus: teaching new reading skills
- Annual focus: embed secondary English skills into student practice

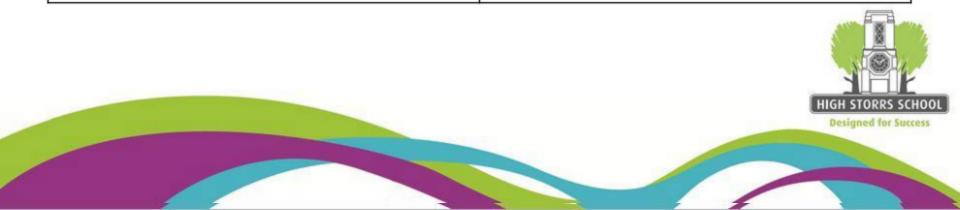
#### 1 hour teacher

- Planned by a literacy specialist with experience in both primary and secondary contexts
- Current focus: bridging the gap between primary and secondary writing skills
- Annual focus:
  - Smooth transition to secondary English
  - Writing skills



### **Books and Assessment**

the classroom – verbal, whole class, peer and and improve your work.	V	Vhat you can expect	What we expect
<ul> <li>completed on lined paper and stored in</li> <li>Don't waste paper – use every page of your book and line off for a new lesson rather than</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>the classroom – verbal, whole class, peer and self assessment.</li> <li>At least one piece of written feedback on an extended formative piece of writing per half term.</li> <li>Four summative assessments per year, all completed on lined paper and stored in</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Work to be well-presented – using a ruler and crossing work out using one line only, no doodling.</li> <li>Glue sheets in carefully so they don't fall or stick out.</li> </ul>



### How can you support at home?

- Encourage your child to use the KS3 reading list and to access the High Storrs library. Discuss books that they have read – you could even get them to write you a book review to improve their critical reading and non-fiction writing skills!
- Login to Satchel One to support your child's independent learning.
- Use the Long Term Plan to stay updated with topics being studied in English. If possible, provide any contextual experiences linked to these topics (e.g. research, theatre trips, day trips etc.).
- For extra learning at home, encourage your child to access **BBC Bitesize KS3** English. There are various resources for improving writing and reading skills.



### HIGH STORRS IS A READING SCHOOL



### Emily Baldwin – Literacy Lead

### So what are the benefits of 'Reading for Pleasure'?

Evidence suggests that there is a positive relationship between reading frequency, reading enjoyment and attainment

(Clark 2011; Clark and Douglas 2011)

"reading for pleasure is <u>vital for</u> <u>academic success</u>, <u>mental health</u> and even later <u>economic success</u>"

(The Independent)



Reading for pleasure has many non-literacy benefits and can increase empathy, improve relationships with others, reduce the symptoms of depression and improve wellbeing throughout life (The Reading Agency 2015). "Reading habitually and seeing reading as a pleasurable, fulfilling and motivating activity matters. Put succinctly, 14-yearolds who read often and independently know 26% more words than those who never read."

(Alex Quigley 2019)

Ways you can help at home

- Discuss books that they are reading
- Discuss when and where they find it easiest to read
- Encourage them to listen to books as well as read them
- Read with them or to them
- Discuss the vocabulary in the bc
- Ask them why they liked or dislig



### 'Reading for Pleasure' at High Storrs



Timetabled library lesson every 2 or 3 weeks through different subjects



Book given at the end of Y6



Silent Reading once a week during form



Phil Earle author visit



#### Accelerated Reader



Fiction book lists for each subject

# Mathematics

Mrs Zoe Hubbard

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# Groupings

- In each half year the 4 classes are split into 5 maths groups
- Group changes are throughout every year to ensure all students are in the right place for them to progress



# **Schemes of Work**

- Year 7 and 8 are Key Stage 3 (led by Mrs Hubbard)
- Year 9-11 are Key Stage 4 (led by Mrs Wright)
- White Rose Maths
- Skills are reviewed and built upon each year
- The course is tailored by the teacher to suit each classes needs

# **Use of Calculators**

- Making use of the technology at our fingertips
- Please ensure your child has their own calculator (£9.30 from school)







# Enrichment, not acceleration





# SCIENCE

### Mrs Shereen Kamil Head of Science KS3 Curriculum Lead in Science

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### **The Science Team**

17 Science teachers

- 7 Biologists
- 5 Chemists
- 5 Physicists

Plus 3 dedicated subject technicians

### KS3 mission





Enthuse and engage young learners. Interesting hands on practical experience of science in specialist labs. egge

Embed knowledge and skills needed to support progression from KS3 to KS4 and beyond.



Mastery of subject specific terminology, maths skills and problemsolving competence.

### 

Train and coach students to develop their skills to work scientifically.



### AQA Activate: Overview of KS3 Curriculum

	Part 1 Taught in year 7	or year 7/8*	Part 2 Taught in year 8 or year 8/9*				
Forces	Speed	Gravity	Contact forces	Pressure			
Electromagnets	Voltage and Assistance	Current	Electromagnets	Magnetism			
Energy	Energy costs	Energy transfer	Work	Heating and cooling			
Waves	Sound Co	ntent under 1	0 big ideas.	perties			
Matter	Particle mod	ach idea has • 2 are covere					
Reactions	Metals and non-metals	• 2 are covere ught as a 'Blo		reaction			
Earth	Earth structu CO	nsisting of a t emistry and P	heme from Bi	ology, <sup>purces</sup>			
Organisms	Movement						
Ecosystem	Interdependence	nterdependence Plant reproduction		Photosynthesis			
Genes	Variation	Human reproduction	Evolution	Inheritance			

### Working Scientifically

At High Storrs, KS3 Science supports the development of scientific thinking through investigation.

### Enquire

- Collect data
- Devise questions
- Plan variables
- Test hypotheses



### Analyse

- Analyse patterns
- Discuss limitations
- Draw conclusions
- Present data



### Solve

- Estimate risks
- Examine consequences
- Review theories
- Interrogate sources



- Communicate ideas
- Construct explanations
- Critique claims
- Justify opinions

### **Setting & Teachers**

- Y7 and Y8 x3 one-hour lessons
- Can have 1 teacher or 2 depending on the timetable.
- Y7 students are in mixed ability classes.
- Y8 students are placed in mixed ability bands. Based on teacher assessment & test scores.

### Assessment

- Y7: short in-class tests. They will cover the latest topics within each Big Idea.
- Y8: three end of term Block Assessments.
- Y7 and Y8 have Skills Assessments in each topic based on in-class practical work.
- Regular retrieval activities and quizzing of knowledge.
- Developing Scientific Vocabulary.

### Homework

- Once a week on Satchel
  - Explained to students in lesson time
  - Improve topic or literacy
  - Approximately 30 minutes
  - Deadlines are important.



### Extracurricular Opportunities

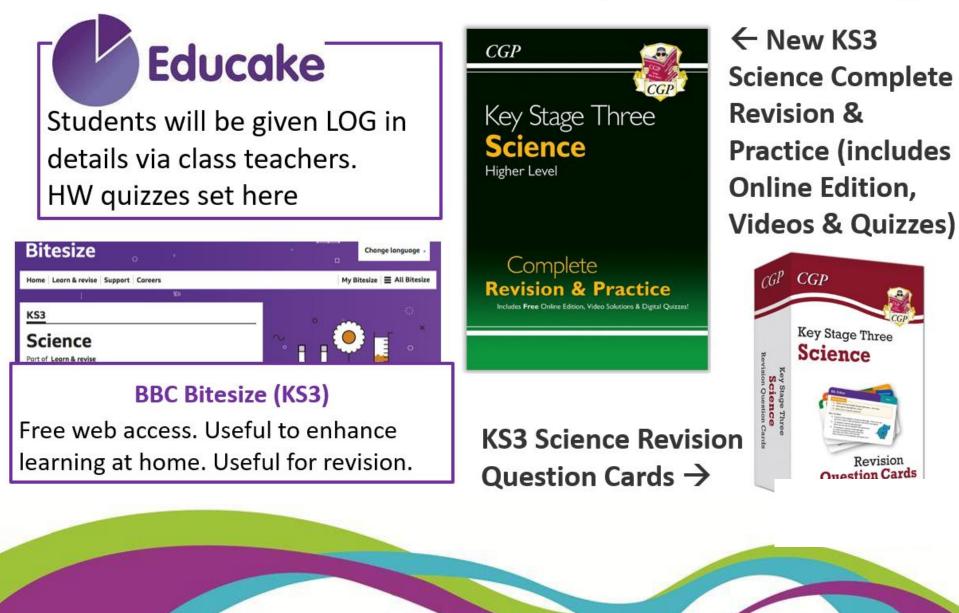


Y7-9 – Afterschool STEM Club(run by Science, Technology & Maths)Trips / Competitions from previousyears:

- Visits to Universities of Sheffield and Hallam
- Big bang fair Birmingham
- Trips to Rolls Royce and AMRC
- Women in Engineering Events
- Competitions including RSC Chemistry Quizzes
- Get up to Speed STEM event at Magna Park in Rotherham.

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### **Resources for Homework & Independent Learning**



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Our students and staff are cared for, respected and encouraged to experience a sense of belonging. This nurture enables them to become resilient, reflective, creative team players with the confidence to improve society. Key 2: High achievement and progress for all students.

This is secured through outstanding teaching, celebration of achievement and developing selfconfidence and independence. Key 3: Creativity, leader accountability.

Staff and Governors understand their leadership role and deliver creative learning consistently well. This is developed through the school's relentless belief in high quality training and systems which promote accountability and leadership opportunities for staff and students. Key 4: A learning school community.

The school is responsive to its own needs and the needs of other professionals and schools through its impact within he network of teaching pols. Key 5: Making a difference through excellence.

Our consistent sense of purpose and ambition are underpinned by a belief that we can make a difference for students through improvement and the pursuit of excellence in partnership with parents.

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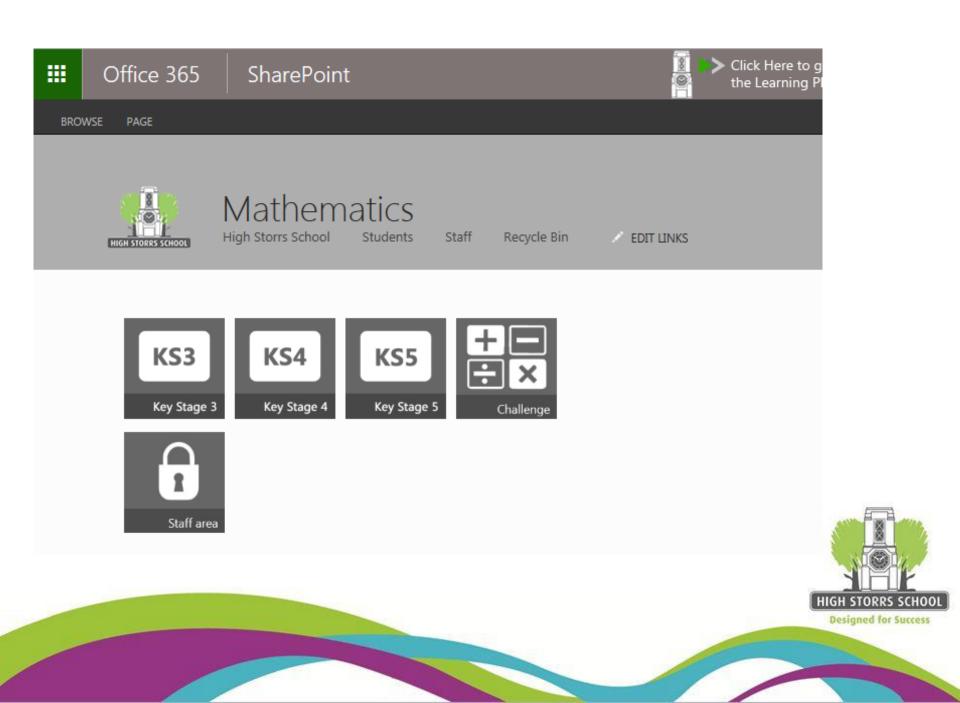














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### **KEY DATES**

### Term 1

 05/10/2023
 Y7 Parents' Information Evening (6:00pm – 7:00pm)

 11/10/2023
 Y7 Settling In Evening (4:30pm – 6:00pm)

 Half Term
 23/10/2023 – 27/10/2023

 24/11/2023
 INSET Day

 Christmas Holidays
 25/12/2023 – 05/01/2024

### Term 2

w/c 15/01/2024	Y7 Tracker 1
24/01/2024	INSET Day
Half Term	12/02/2024 - 16/02/2024
Easter Holidays	29/03/2024 - 12/04/2024

#### Term 3

23/04/2024	Y7 Parents' Evening (4:30pm – 7:00pm)
Half Term	27/05/2024 – 31/05/2024
w/c 10/06/2024	Y7 Tracker 2
19/07/2024	Term ends – School closes to pupils at midday

