

Year 7 2022 intake







- 1. We learn together
- 2. We belong to this community
- 3. We are proud of ourselves and each other
- 4. We have consistently high expectations





NO PRESSURE. NO DIAMONDS. NO STRUGGLE. NO STRENGTH.





Holmes Chapel Comprehensive

Three connected parts of one school

Primary school

Lower School

Upper School

Sixth Form College

HCCS Lower school - Years 7 and 8

- Transition
- Challenge and support
- Culture of engagement
- Building potential
- Building relationships
- Securing the foundations of learning

HCCS Upper school - Years 9 to 11

- Increased specialisation
- Attainment and progress focus
- Support and intervention
- Maximising potential
- Advice and guidance next steps

HCCS College - Years 12 and 13

- Level 3 qualifications
- High level of specialisation
- Independent, taught and guided study
- High level of autonomy
- Advice and guidance next steps







Lower School

Building relationships and securing the foundations of learning

Lower School Hub Years 7 & 8		
Director	Helena Collison	
Learning Manager	Heather Hughes	
Welfare Managers	Tara Bowles Rachel Cooper Laura Chaloner Mattin	
Support Officers	Lizzy Broxton Jess Jones	
Behaviour Mentor	Holly Pridham	
Safeguarding and Child Protection Lead	Emily Bagshaw	

7AH	Rachel Mee
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Lower School expectations



START HERE > > and see how far you can go



Helping others to be the best version of themselves.

Modelling this expected behaviour to everyone else and **persevering** with that - even when outside factors might make that challenging.

Being **safe**. Being **kind**. Trying your best. Showing **respect** to yourself, others and your environment.



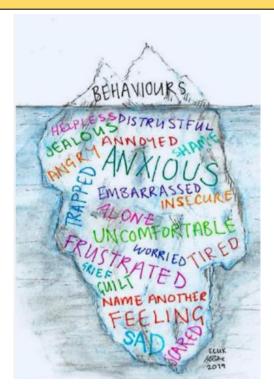
But we understand different feelings...

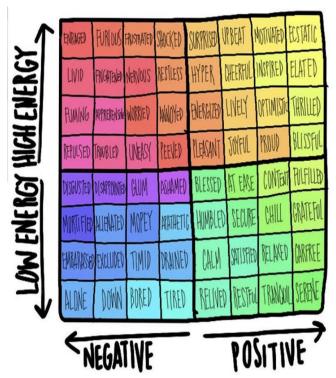


and we will help each other to cope with these so that we can still try our best to achieve at least our core expectations



And we encourage discussion of different feelings...



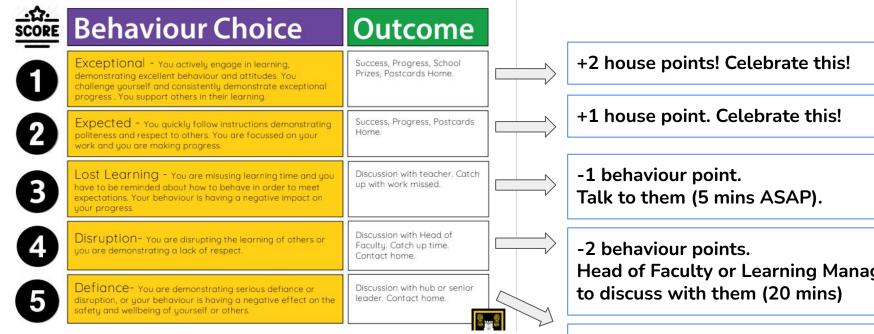




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LIVID	FRIGHTENER	NERVOUS	RESTLESS	HYPER	CHEERFUL	INSPIRED	ELATED
FUMING	APPREHENSILE	WORRIED	ANNOYED	ENERGIZED	LINELY	OPTIMISTIC	THRILLED
REPULSED	TROUBLED	UNEASY	PEEVED	PLEASANT	JOYFUL	PROUP	BLISSFUL
DISGUSTED	DESAPPOINTED	GLUM	ASHAMED	BLESSED	AT EASE	CONTENT	
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We demonstrate consistently high expectations



For ALL behaviours, it is important that we talk to students about the choice they have made, if necessary, how they might need to make different choices in the future. Make sure and seek confirmation that they understand this. Head of Faculty or Learning Manager

-3 behaviour points.

Welfare Manager to discuss with them (removal from lesson plus appropriate consequence)



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Listen. Comply. (No need for staff to ask twice)





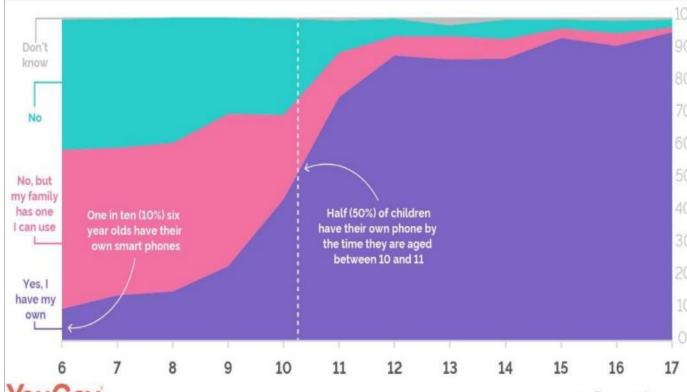
Online Safety





When do British kids get their own smart phones?

Do you have access/ are you able to use any of the following devices? (% of 2,160 GB children aged between 6 and 17, answers for "smart phones" shown)



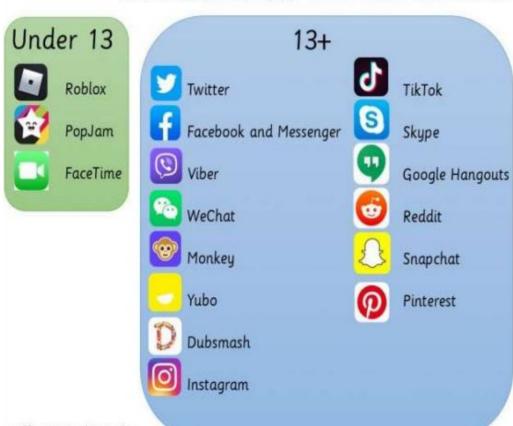
Young people are digital natives but they don't yet have the capacity to navigate safely.

Y6 get mobile phone
- vast majority by
secondary school greater
independence

2 - 11 December 2019

Age Restrictions for Social Media Platforms

What is the minimum age for account holders on these social media sites and apps?





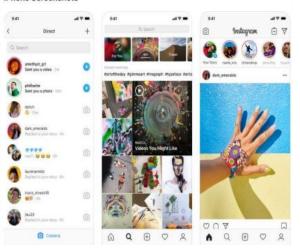
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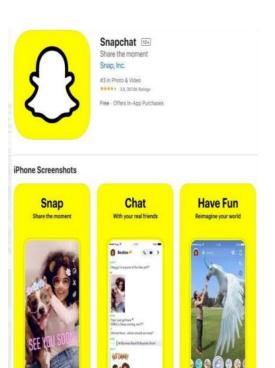
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Tellonym



iPhone Screenshots







TikTok - Make Your Day 124

Real People. Real Videos. TikTok Inc.

#1 in Entertainment

***** 4.9, 62.3K Ratings

Free · Offers in-App Purchases

Screenshots iPhone iPad







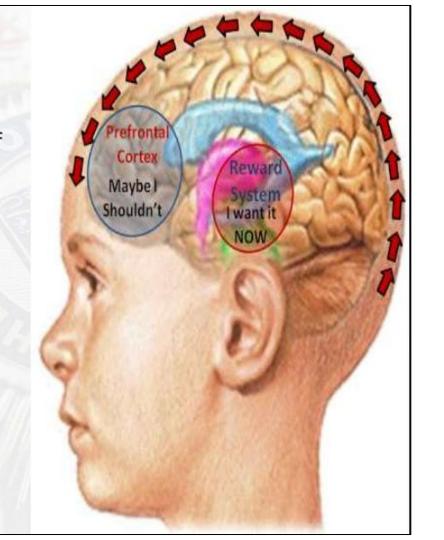
Prefrontal cortex

Controls decision making, self control and will power.

Fully developed in females at 24yrs and males at 30yrs.

The prefrontal cortex in a teenager has been likened to a car with an accelerator but no brake.

At this age risk-taking is high and impulse control is low.



Supporting Parents and Carers with mobile phone use

- Talk to you child regularly about their mobile phone use
 - Encourage them to be open
 - Reassure them that they won't get in trouble if things go wrong
- Make sure privacy settings are set correctly, updated and checked regularly
- Know your child's pass code; the child doesn't own the phone
- Carry out frequent and random phone checks
- Keep phones downstairs have a shared charging point downstairs and check that their phone (not just the case) is there
- Encourage hobbies and interests which are not technology based
- Let children be bored; this is when creativity occurs and reveals their talents



Useful links

https://www.internetmatters.org/parental-controls/

https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/

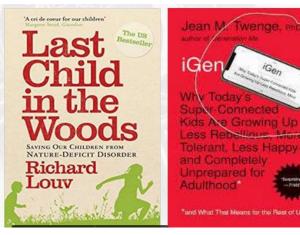
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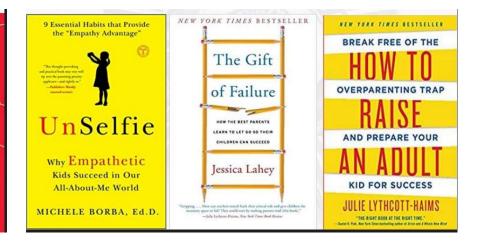
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Further reading for parents





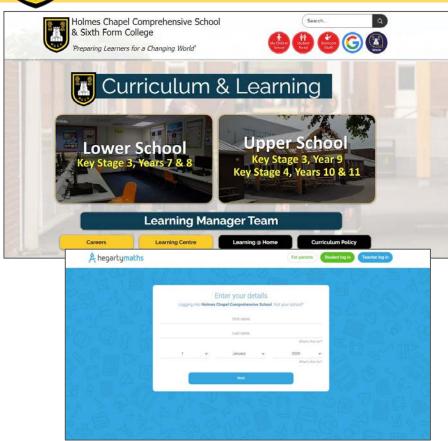


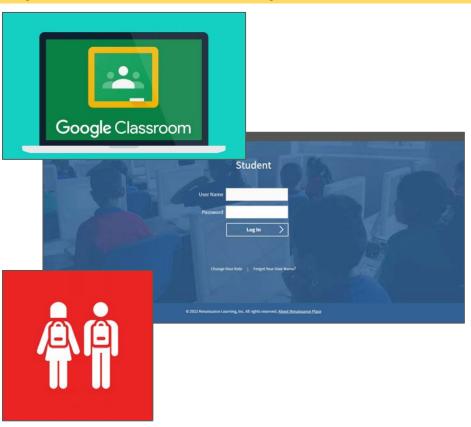




Lower School

Building relationships and securing the foundations of learning







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Building <u>relationships</u> and securing the foundations of <u>learning</u>

Literacy Reminders

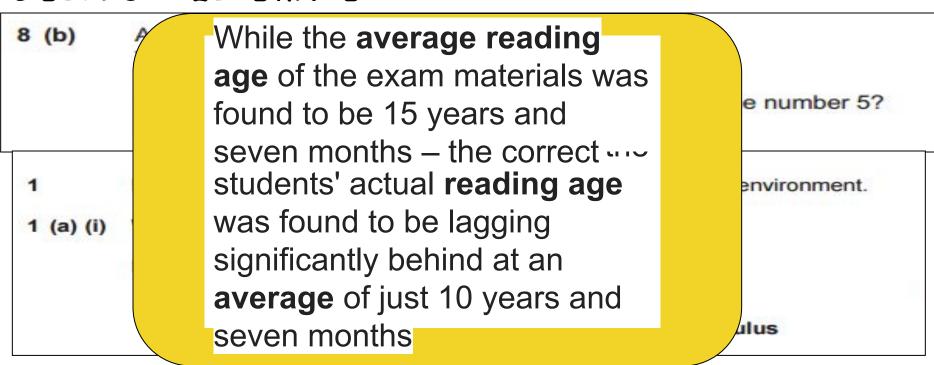
- 1. Every pupil should have a book to read at the beginning of each lesson. Any problems with this, please ask your child to speak to their form tutor or Miss Moores, our librarian.
- 2. Every Lower School student has one lesson a fortnight in the Learning Resource Centre (LRC), this is for independent/group reading and research skills.
- 3. It is important that your child reads outside of lesson and quizzes on the books they have read using our Accelerated Reading Programme.
- 4. Throughout the year, your child will take a STAR reading test which assesses their reading ability and determines their reading age. This will be communicated to you through their interims.

What can you do to help?

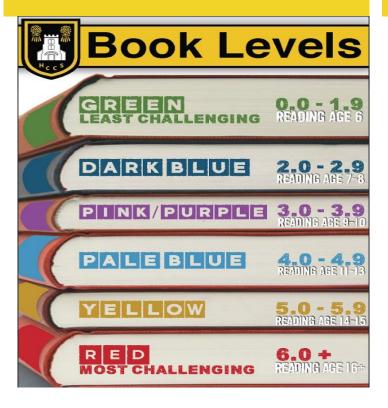
Encourage them to read as much as possible.

Discuss books!
Book
adaptations,
books they've
read in class,
autobiographies
about people
they know. . .

BEING "LITERATE"



ACCELERATED READER



Finding the right book level for your child!

The Accelerated Reader programme uses this system of levelling books.

Our LRC also uses this system.

The aim is that children will be reading regularly the books that will help them the most:

More enjoyment! More progress!

ACCELERATED READER

Students were provided with their login details during the LRC lessons.

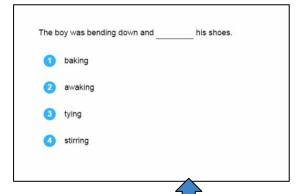
Years 7 - 9



Complete a reading test

Read books within their ZPD

Complete quizzes on the books they have read





Greg hoped to change his situation at school by ---.

A being elected Treasurer for student government

B trying out for the football team

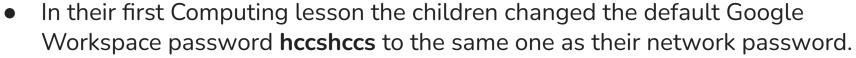
c winning the school photography contest

wearing Rodrick's old heavy-metal T-shirts

Google Classroom: accessing classwork and homework

How does my child log onto their Google Workspace?

- click on the Google 'G' on the https://www.hccs1978.co.uk/ hom
- 2. enter their school Gmail address 22surname@stu.hccs.info
- 3. Then enter their password.



- Each tutor group and class has their own Google Classroom.
- Lessons and homework can be accessed on Google Classroom: if your child is ill or they want to revisit what they have been learning.



Bromcom and Hegarty Maths

Bromcom: Student App

- Timetable
- Behaviour
- Subject information (class and teacher)
- Students receive an email with their login details (school ID 11529).
- The app can be downloaded onto a Smartphone.



Hegarty Maths



- Online resource that allows students to test their maths skills and get feedback on their progress.
- This is set up by the maths department.

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September	Transition and baseline testing All About Mo tasks completed.
	 All About Me tasks completed Parent Information Evening Key Dates
October	 Curriculum information shared online Google classroom guidance for parents
November	Learning Passport Part 1
December	 Interim report 1 published (information about your child's progress and attitude to learning) Winter Festival and Christmas Concert: 1st December School Production: 8th & 9th December Learning Passport Part 2
February	 Year 7 residential w/c/ 13th Feb Mid year assessments - w/c/ 27th Feb
March	Interim report 2 published
May	Year 7 Parent evening
July	End of year assessments and interim report 3

Keeping in touch with each other



Conversations matter! Keeping in touch and letting us know how things are going is important in keeping our children safe, cared for and on track.



- Parental expectations... getting in touch...phone and email
- **Protocols...** respect, trust, manners, being polite, patience
- Response time... 48 hours please!



PATIENCE IS

THE CALM ACCEPTANCE THAT THINGS CAN HAPPEN IN A DIFFERENT ORDER THAN THE ONE YOU HAVE IN MIND.

Asking questions and keeping in touch



What's the issue?	Who to contact	Email
Concerns about welfare or progress	Your Child's Form Tutor	firstname.surname@hccs.info
Learning and curriculum	Lower School Learning Manager - Heather Hughes	· lowerschool@hccs.info
Pastoral and welfare	Lower School Welfare Managers Tara Bowles, Rachel Cooper and Laura Chaloner-Mattin	towerschoot@nees.imo
Special Educational Needs	SENCO- Clair Bailey Learning Support Transition Lead- Louise Guy	clair.bailey@hccs.info louise.guy@hccs.info



Tutor rooms

7AH	Rachel Mee	SF3
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Tutor slides

7...

Tutor's name:

I am a teacher of...

You can contact me via email...



What have we been doing in tutor time?

- All About Me
- My Curriculum
- Enrichment
- Sharing our thoughts and asking questions
- Making new friends





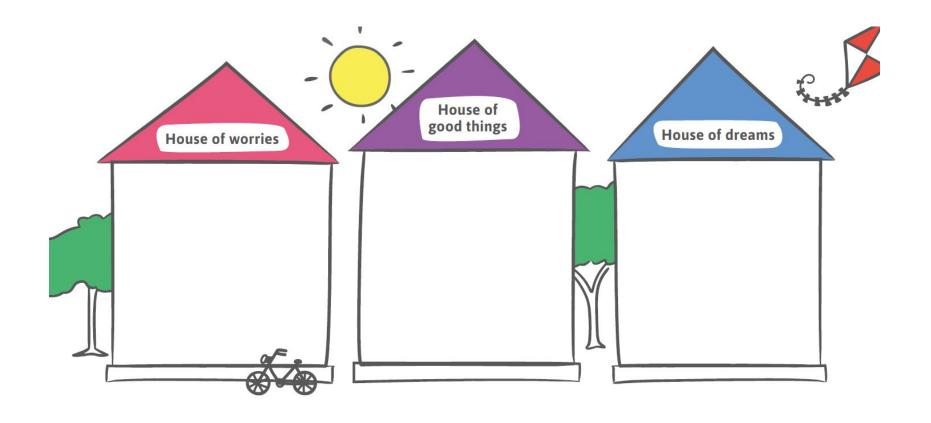


Getting to know you

so we can know how to support and guide you in the best way!









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YEAR 7



All about ME: Miss Hughes

Hi Everyone, I am Miss Hughes, the Lower School Learning Manager and an enthusiastic Teacher of English and Media. I have been teaching at Holmes Chapel Comprehensive School since 2009, but previously I have taught in Biddulph and Halland. My fondest memories of HCCS are the Menai residentials the Conwy Centre. The fancy dress disco is always fun.



My friends would describe me as 'a glass half full' sort of

person, I always like to find positives in everything that I do. I believe that nothing is impossible, if you put your mind to it.

I was born in Cheshire and have remained here for most of my life. I live with my lovely dog Ali who is now 13 years old and

my parents and Grandma live about 10 minutes away on a smallholding where I keep my two horses, called Wise Guy and Lady. We



also have chickens, cats (Percy and Pippa) and wild deer. My sister recently got married which was a lovely occasion as most of the family were able to attend. My Mum's side of the family are Scottish, so on occasions I will use the Scottish dialect (you will have to let me know if you notice), but if you ask me to do the accent you will be surprised how bad mine is.



I have a range of hobbies and interests such as horse riding. I love competing at Dressage events, but also going on holidays with my horses, to camp, being on the committee for a riding club and out hacking with friends. Other hobbies of mine include: clay pigeon shooting, running, keeping fit, being a tourist and most importantly, socialising with my friends. In Summer 2021 I toured Oxford and Stratford Upon Avon to see the historic sites. I am a country girl at heart and I am not sure that will ever change. I enjoy learning new things and have recently completed a course in 'Grassland Management' at Reaseheath College and trained young sheep dogs (pictured below is Jim).



I don't dislike many things, but I definitely don't like people who lack manners. Saying please and thank you costs nothing.

I am an ambitious person and there are many things in my life that I want to achieve. In the immediate future, I am going to learn to ride side-saddle on my horse Lady; look for a new college course to complete and continue to spend time with my family and loved ones.

One last thing: remember that a smile can warm up one's heart and make the sad days brighter!



All about ME: Helena Collison September 2021



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Outside of school, I have a husband who I have been friends with since I was 11 years old and 2 young children (a 6 year old - Max - and a 3 year old - Lucy). I also have Milly dog (14) and Pickle the tortoiseshell cat. We live together in Knutsford.





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My dislikes include noisy eaters and unkind behaviours.

Unless it is so I can help them, I find listening to the same person talking for long periods of time hard and, if I'm not busy DOING things, I can struggle. I also find it hard to ask for help. My triends, my colleagues and some of my family help me with this.

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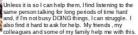
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CRITICAL EVALUATION

- Anything else you notice?
- What's particularly effective? Why?
- What could be better? How?



STRUCTURE AND LANGUAGE

- How are the topics ordered?
 (What comes first? Then what?)
- Analyse the effect of different words and sentences



CONTENT

- What are the topics?
- Can you identify any language features, e.g. punctuation?

Now, it's your turn to create your All About Me page

Create a one page document that captures WHO WE ARE.

It will use words (and maybe pictures) that communicate information about us to other people.

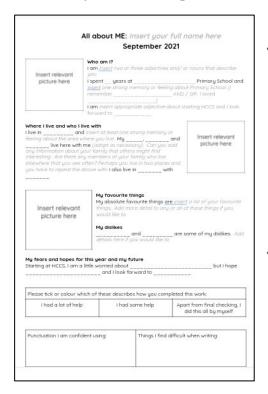
When should I do this?

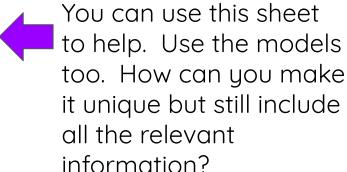
Please submit your first draft of this piece of important whole school work to your tutor by: Monday 19th September

There's help on the next slide/ on sheets from tutors.

YEAR 7

Complete your own - support available





You can copy and complete if you like.

Still a bit tricky?

Complete the gaps on this one

September 2021			
Who am I?			
l am			
l spent years a		Primary School and	
I am	about sta	rting HCCS and I look forward to	
Where I live and w	ho I live with	h	
l live in	_ and		
My,	and	live here with me	
(I also live in	with)	
My favourite thing	gs		
My absolute favou	rite things		
My dislikes			
anc		are some of my dislikes.	

Parent's copy of 'All About Me'

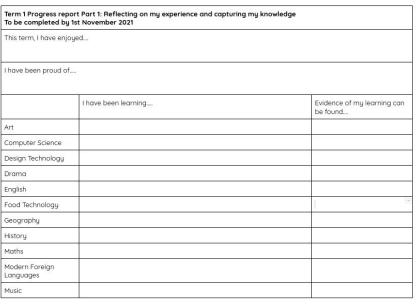
Thank you for sharing these with us.

If you haven't done one, there is time to do it now.

All about	7 by p	parent(s) / carer(s)
What can my child do well?	What does my child need help with?	How to support, communicate and work well with my child
What does my child like and what makes them happy?	What's important for my child now?	What are my aspirations for my child in the future?

Introducing your Lower School Learning Passport





It is split into 2 parts.

The first part is designed to allow students to <u>reflect upon the knowledge</u> they have acquired over the first term.

This will be introduced through the metacognition sessions of enrichment and will be completed before you receive the first interim report.

The second part should be completed together at home after you have looked at the report.

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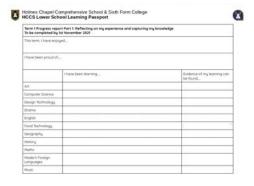


Reflect upon where your strengths and areas for development are across the curriculum

Make connections across the curriculum. Where else is this knowledge relevant and useful?

Use your memory to **recall** the **knowledge** from each subject area. Understand where to look if your brain cannot recall yet.

Need some help?





Use your brain to **recall** the **knowledge** from each subject area. Understand where to look if your brain cannot recall yet.

- Your exercise book and/ or The Google classroom
- 2. Ask a classmate
- 3. Ask your teacher
- 4. Ask your tutor and/ or someone in the hub

Thank you for listening.

Do you have any questions?