



Dear parents/carers,

3rd July 2023

I am writing to explain about the up and coming 'Mastery Quizzes,' which will be taking place during the week commencing 10th July 2023. Throughout the week scholars in KS3 (Year 7, 8 and 9) will take part in knowledge quizzes during their timetabled lessons in most subjects. The quiz questions will assess how your child retains knowledge from their subject knowledge organisers and the homework that they complete on a daily and weekly basis. These will be completed in the classroom and in silence, within the time limit of one hour and will be self-assessed by scholars. This will allow both scholars and their teachers to see where there are gaps in their knowledge. Your child does not need to worry about these quizzes and should approach them as an opportunity to show what they have learned and can remember. Scholars will be rewarded for both effort and attainment with achievement points and some will be rewarded with our new Scholarsaurus badges, which they will be able to wear on their blazer with pride.

Scholars will be issued with their knowledge quizzes in a booklet on Monday 10th July in Apollo tutor period and will be expected to store them safely during the day. Scholars will be expected to take responsibility for keeping them safe, dry and well-presented throughout the day and so will need to bring a suitable bag to school every day. They will then give them back to their Apollo tutor for safe keeping in their last Apollo tutor period of the day. If they lose their mastery quizzes, they will be issued with a 45-minute detention. There will be daily rewards of responsibility points awarded on Bromcom for those students who do take care of their booklets. As scholars will be completing these using a black pen and self-assessing with a purple pen it is important that they bring a black and purple pen every day or visit scholar services to buy replacements. All equipment will be checked alongside uniform as they enter the academy during this week.

In short

W/B 10th July, please ensure your child has a bag, black pen and purple pen to complete the Mastery Quizzes. These will be checked on the gate.

Thank you in advance for your support in ensuring that scholars arrive equipped to complete these knowledge quizzes.

We also think it will be valuable if you support your child at home by providing a space where they can work free from distractions on their homework, look at the knowledge organiser and assist with quizzing them so they are ready for the 'Mastery Quizzes'.

Kind regards

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