

## Pastoral Team

Miss K Boulton – Year 7 Learning Manager
Mrs S Loft – Year 7 Pastoral Manager
Mrs A Betts – SENDCO

Yr 7 cohort will be based in S Centre [Science]

Yr 7 office based on ground floor of S Centre.









## Agenda

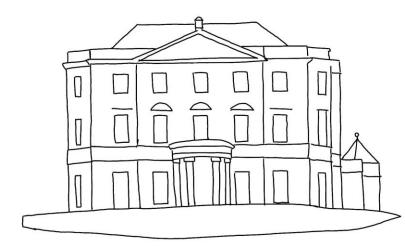
- Introduction to PIAGs
- 2. Other information regarding life in Year
- 3. Assessment / setting procedures
- 4. English (Miss Weatherall)
- 5. Maths (Mr Allen)
- 6. Science (Mrs Johns)
- 7. MFL (Mr Cobbold)
- 8. Arbor and Satchel One (Mr Cobbold)
- 9. Friends of Hardenhuish (Mr Cobbold)





# What are Parent Information, Advice and Guidance (PIAG) sessions?

An opportunity to familiarise yourself with your child's education in order to support them during their time at Hardenhuish School.





#### Attendance



#### WHY:

Pupils with 95% attendance achieved an average GCSE grade 6 across 8 subjects, compared with an average GCSE grade 3-4 for pupils whose attendance was less than 90%.





### Exeats

If your child needs to leave the site early or at any point in the day, Absences to be requested online.

The office will then give an exeat to your young person for them to sign out of school on time.



### Tutor PPCE

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> October 3:30pm to 7:30pm. Five minute online appointments.

- Meet your child's tutor
- Discussion about the first term
- How the transition to Hardenhuish has gone
- Opportunities for your child
- Feedback from Go Ape trip
- Talk through any concerns or worries

Information about progress in subject areas will be given at the Year 7 PPCE later in the year





## Successful Lives: Language for Life





## The Hardenhuish 1-9 System

			GCSE grade
		Year 9	9
	Year 8	9	8
Year 7	9	8	7
9	8	7	6
8	7	6	5
7	6	5	4
6	expected p	rogress <sub>4</sub>	3
5	expected.	3	2
4	3	2	1
3	2	1	
2	1		
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The standard of each grade gets progressively harder from one year to the next.

Pupils will have progress maps in each subject area so they know how to make progress

# Go Ape

- ☐ Arrive at 7.30am
- ☐ Bring food/snacks/drinks
- ☐ You will have designated coaches
- ☐ You will already be in groups
- ☐ Wear appropriate outdoor clothing
- ☐ Check the weather app!
- ☐ Two ground activities
- ☐ One tree top adventure activity
- ☐Home by 8pm
- ☐ Make memories! Have fun! Be kind!





## Subject Information

#### Science

Mrs Johns

#### **English**

Miss Weatherall

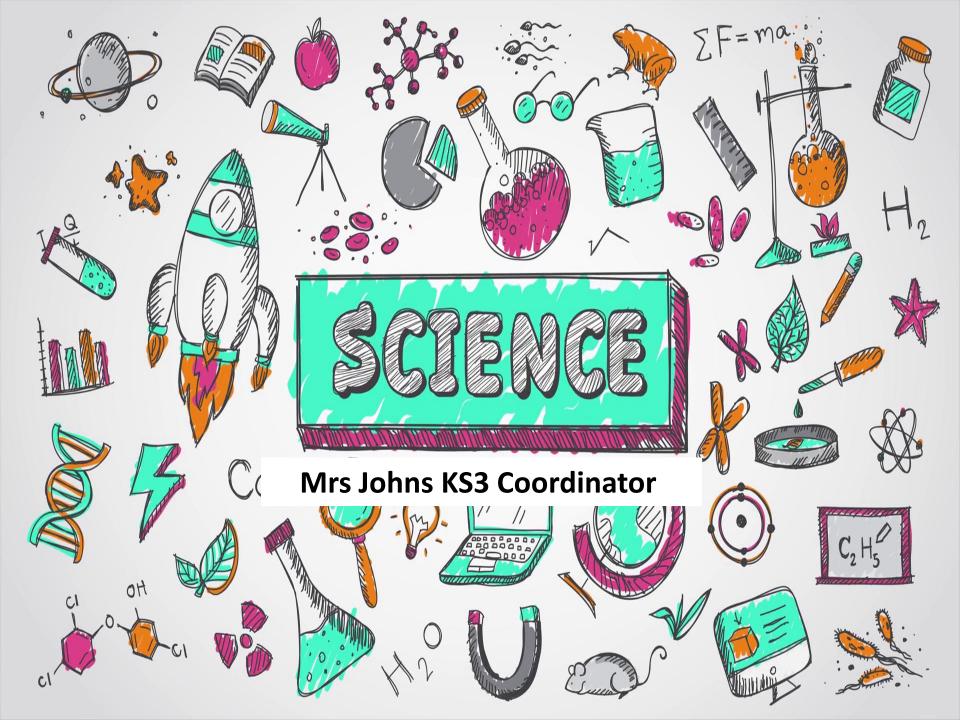
#### **Maths**

Mr Allan



#### **MFL**

Mr Cobbold [speaking]
Mrs Greenslade (maternity cover for Mrs Tavora)





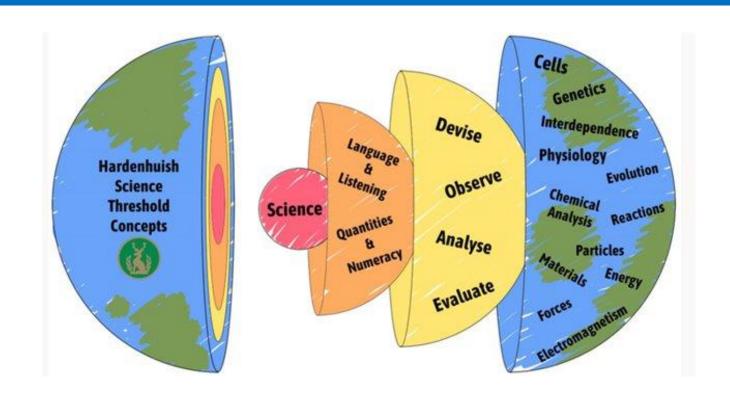
## Aims of KS3

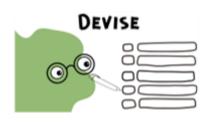
- Enjoyment
- Understand more of the world around us
- Foster their curiosity
- Prepare for the GCSE course
- Develop scientific skills





## Threshold Concepts in Science













## Science at KS3

- KS3 pupils follow a course based on the Exploring Science scheme of learning produced by Pearson
- Year 7 so far have completed an introductory scheme of work, focusing on skills and safety and are now studying a topic about particles and atoms.
- Over the course of year 7 & 8 students will study the following topics:



## Science at KS3

#### **Biology**

- o Cells
- Reproduction
- Ecology
- Unicellular organisms
- Food & Digestion

#### **Chemistry**

- Particles
- Atoms, elements & Compound
- Mixtures & Separation
- Metals & The Periodic Table
- The Rock Cycle
- Acids & Alkalis

#### Physics (the best one)

- Forces
- Space
- Electricity & Magnetism
- Sound & Light
- Energy



#### Classes & Assessment in Y7

- Y7 are currently taught in mixed prior attainment groups
- 3 main assessments are scheduled for progress checking purposes across the year
- There are also smaller tests at the end of each topic
- These assessments and their teacher's input allows us to group appropriately when pupils move into year 8.



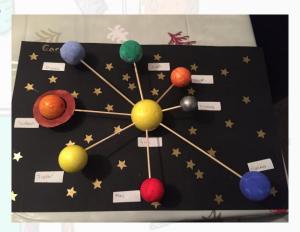
#### Revision at KS3





#### Year 7 Homework

- Homework for Y7 & 8 follows a project style format
- Each term students will be set a task linked to the topic they are studying.
- We will then have a show and tell style lesson whereby we celebrate what the students have produced.

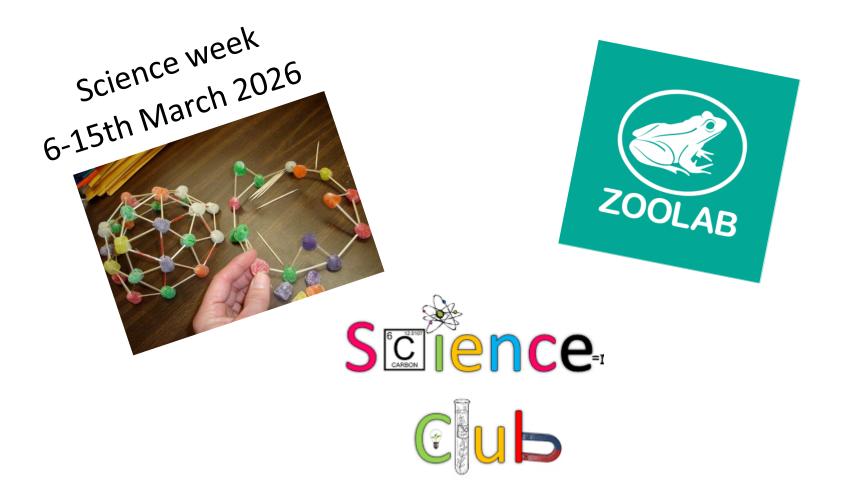








### **Upcoming events**





# English in Year 7



Miss Weatherall, English Coordinator

# KS3 English Vision



The English Department want to empower our young people to articulate their views on the world and their own place within it.

We want our students to encounter the best of what has been thought and written.

We also want to support our young people to craft their own writing, allowing them to claim their place in our world through the power of the written word.

## The Learning Resource Centre

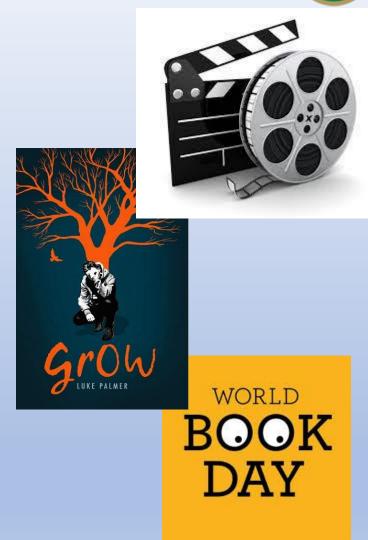




### Extra-Curricular Activities



- Creative Writing Club
- Book Group
- Myth Club
- Year 7 Poetry Slam
- Hardenhuish Literature Festival
- World Book Day celebrations
- Youth Speaks debate competition



# Reading Tests



- Students are completing their Reading Tests
- Data will calculate their reading age e.g:
  - 11:07 = 11 years, 7 months
- Data shared with home and students
- Used to inform tailored support
  - Extra literacy classes
  - Intervention



# Mixed Attainment at



## KS3



- KS3 mixed prior attainment
- Opportunity for all to succeed
- Teaching to the top
- Scaffolded support

## Y7 English at Hardenhuish

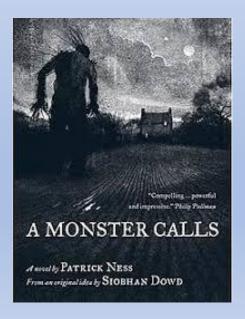


- 1 Short Stories
- 2 Poetry Through Time
- 3 Shakespearean Comedy
- 4 Novel (A Monster Calls, The Graveyard Book)
- 5- Your Planet Needs You!

Assessment - Reading / Writing

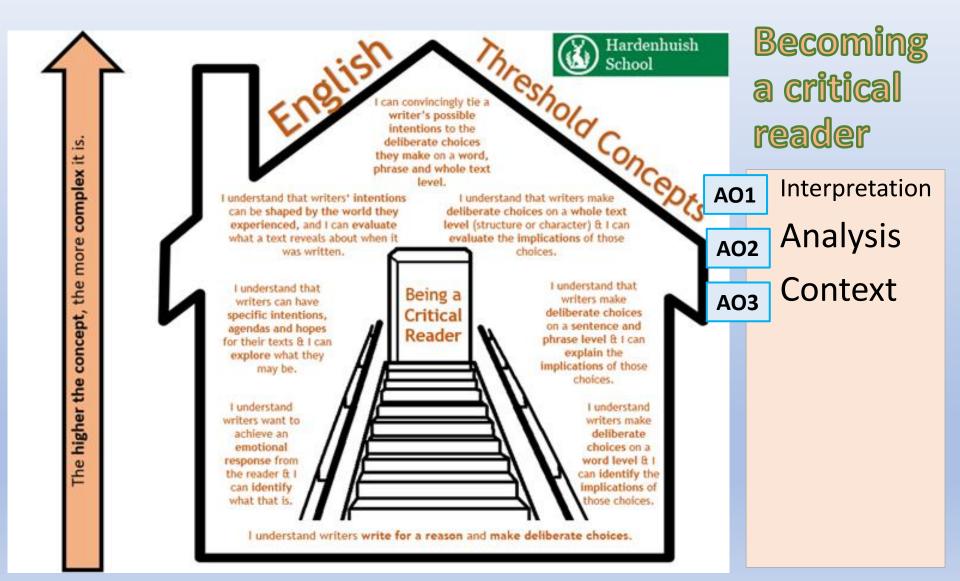
Five units a year, one assessment per unit.





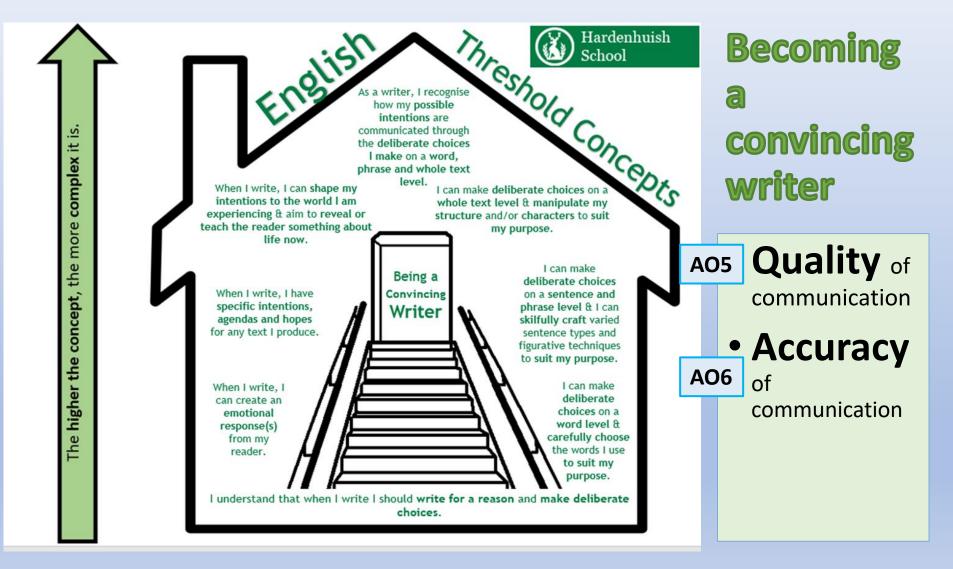
## Skills-Based Curriculum





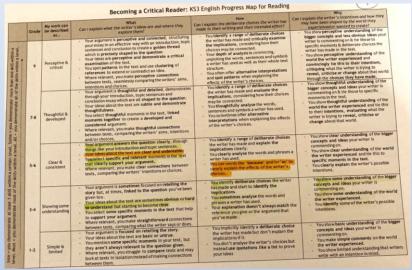
## Skills-Based Curriculum





# How will pupils know how much progress they're making?

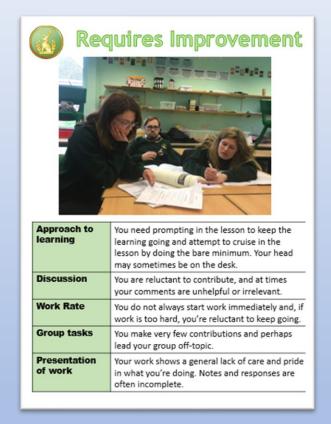
- Feedback on progress checks.
- A mix of peer, self, and teacher assessment.
- Focus on formative assessment
- Highlighted progress maps.
- Specific and tailored written feedback and D.I.R.T. tasks.



Grade	My work can be described as	Can I create texts that are believable and impactful?	Accuracy of Communication  Can I write with accuracy and effectiveness?  You consistently demonstrate complex and imaginative use of varied sentence structures,
,	Competing	Vour narrative voice is convincing and shaped to your interactions with means you wholly achieve the purpose of your writting.     The convincing and interaction of the purpose of your writting.     You make a range of deliberate choices throughout your whole text that work together to manipulate the reader according to your interactions.     The purpose of t	carefully manipulated to achieve an impact.  **Our constituted rule in full sentence and maintain the same tense or person in your  **You employ a complex and accurate range of punctuation, carefully manipulated to achieve an impact.  **In process, extensive and imaginative vocabulary choices which have a striking impact.  **You spell with high and impressive levels of accuracy.
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5-6	Clear	Vour narrative voice is starting to emerge and you write with a definite purpose. You use a variety of deliberate language choices and devices in an attempt to achieve this total. You make clear attempts to use structural features; your writing includes a clear beginning, middle and end supported with appropriate paragraphs.	Type (Entra write in fall seatherees— You get me maintain tense or person in your writing. You very your punchastion and consider the impact but make some errors. You make clear, engaging and deliberate vacabulary, chalces matched to pursoe. Your generality of a transplationer and world-she accurate but there is some imapelling of more complicated or incommon world.
3-4	Sometimes effective	<ul> <li>Your writing it clear to the control of the control o</li></ul>	You make some attempts to use a range of sentence structures. You make some attempts to vary rou purchatation but votatinely make errors. You sometimes write in fall sentences. You sometime maintaintence or person in your writing. You make some delitherate vocabulary choices that are matched to your purpose. There is a pattern of spetting mistakes evident in your work, or you misspell a wide range of words.
1-2		to loow.  You produce one or two simple ideas that are not always matched to purpose.  Your ideas might be repetitive and dull or randomly organised and far-fetched.  You forget to use paragraphs or the paragraphs you do use are randomly placed.  Your writing is, at times, confusing to read.	Vouuse a simple and limited range of sentence structures. Vou don't write in full sentences and rarely sixts to the same tense or person. Vou use simple or infrequent punchastion with lack of errors. Vou make simple and limited vouchburly choices that don't seem to link to your purpose Vou make imple and limited vouchburly choices that don't seem to link to your purpose Vou make frequent and simple spelling mistakes.

# It's not just academic progress that's important...





Progress checks

Contact home

ACEs

# Homework: Extended learning projects





- Peer-assessed
- Opportunity to reflect
- Develop independence
- Foster a love of English



# What you can do to help?

- Encourage reading at home (see the school website for suggested reading lists)
- Get involved! Many students love to discuss what they are working on in lessons.
- Provide support/feedback on homework projects.
- Support students with spellings and punctuation (maybe even in other subjects!)





### Thank you!

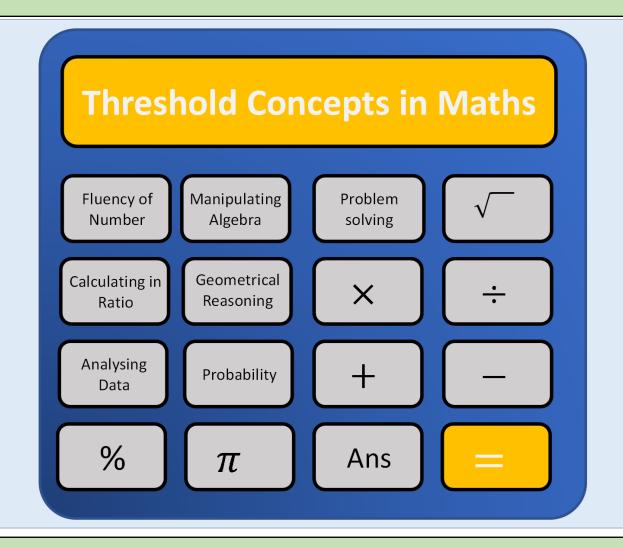


#### Mathematics at Hardenhuish

Mr Allen – Maths Coordinator with responsibility for KS3









## The Maths Faculty

### Where?

- Maths centre 9 classrooms
- 1 computer room (M6)

### When?

Four 50 minute maths lessons a week in Year 7

### Who?

- All classes have Maths specialists delivering their lessons
- TA support and Y12 helpers in some lessons



## **The First Few Weeks**







Algebra transition booklet

Projects

Taught in tutor groups

















## Equipment

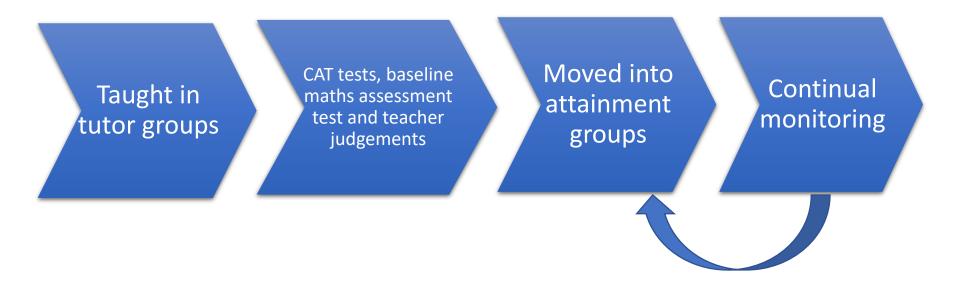
- Casio fx-85GT Classwiz is recommended up to GCSE
- Maths Set.
- Both available through Arbor shop







## **Next Steps**





## **Setting Structure**

7G-A1/Ma	<b>7Y-A1/M</b> a	Exceeding
7G-A2/Ma	7Y-A2/Ma	5
7G-B1/Ma	7Y-B1/Ma	Expected
7G-C1/Ma	7Y-C1/Ma	Emerging
7Y-C2/Ma		

- Reviewed frequently
- Data driven



## **Homework in Year 7**

Online

Personalised to your child

Coordinated with the topics recently learnt in class

Challenging yet achievable problems

## **Sparx Maths**

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## Homework in Year 7



Homework is set on a Friday and due on a Thursday



Approximately 30-45 minutes



KS3 support – Monday Lunchtimes in M6

## **Sparx Maths**

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## **Assessments**



3 formal assessments a year



**Revision lists** (shared via SMH)



Feedback and DIRT (directed improvement and reflection time) cycle





## My child struggles at Maths...

TARGETED TEACHING

MONITORING PROGRESS

TA SUPPORT IN LOW PRIOR ATTAINING SETS

LONG TERM RETENTION (SPARX)

KS3 MATHS SUPPORT LUNCHTIME CLUB (MONDAY IN M6)





## My child loves Maths...

- Enrichment opportunities
- UKMT Junior Maths Challenge
- Stretch and challenge
- Maths enrichment club (Wednesday lunchtimes M4)
- Opportunities outside of school
  - Masterclasses at Bath University
  - Fun Maths Roadshow
  - Y7 Techniquest Trip



## How can I support?



Ensure your child is correctly equipped and organised.

Scientific Calculator Helix Maths Set



Homework – weekly Sparx.



Talk positively about maths – get involved!



Ask them to explain the method they have used.



Communicate with teachers if there are issues.





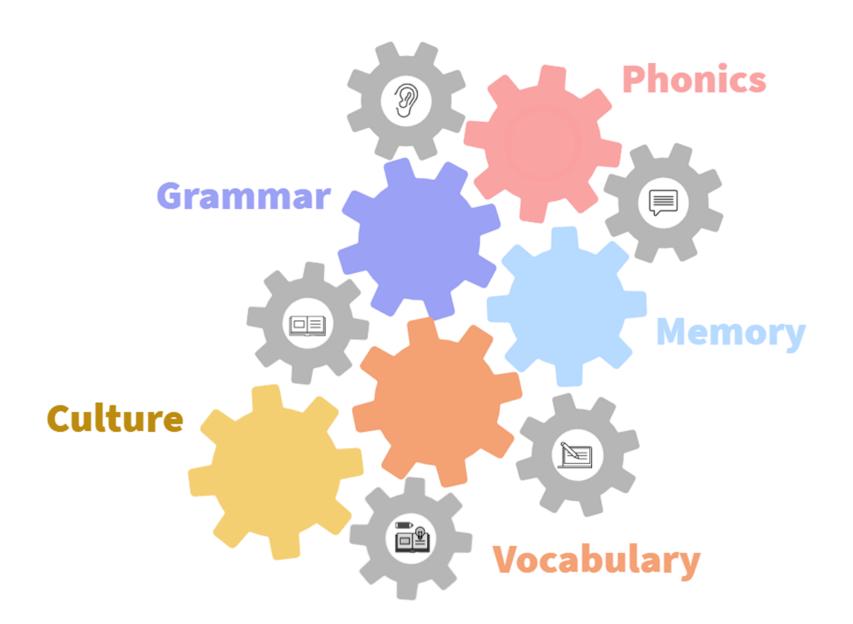
# What can your child do to help their learning?

- Be proactive
- Be engaged in lessons
- Complete quality homework and meet the deadline
- Revise for tests
- Get into good habits now



## MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES

## Threshold concepts for Spanish & French



### Year 7



- The importance of

languages

-Languages lessons

-What the Curriculum

looks like

- Digital platforms

## The importance of languages



#### TRANSFERABLE SKILLS

- Problem solving
- Pattern finding
- Creativity
- Self-directed learning
- Collaboration
- Communication
- Citizenship
- Empathy

## The importance of languages



### **FUTURE CAREERS**

Opportunity to stand out,

requirement for some

degrees, increased salary

offers, resilience

#### **BUT MOST IMPORTANTLY...**

THEY ARE FUN!

## Languages lessons

### **FRENCH**

- 2 lessons a week
- One assessment per module (4 modules

per year)

- Independent Learning
- Optional termly challenges

-10 words

## **Vocabulary tests**

-Twice in the module

-Low stake

- High frequency terms

-Consistent work ethics

-Learning to learn lessons





## Digital platforms

- -Active learn
- Linguascope
- -Quizlet
- Flipgrid

## Mrs Greenslade rxg@hardenhuish.wilts.sch.uk







## **Arbor and Satchel One**

# Mr Cobbold Assistant Head



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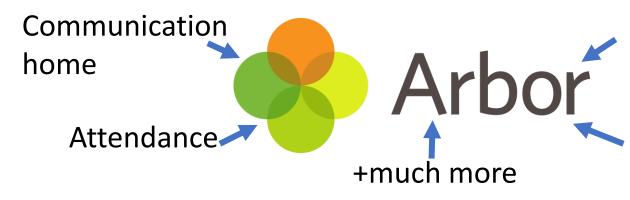
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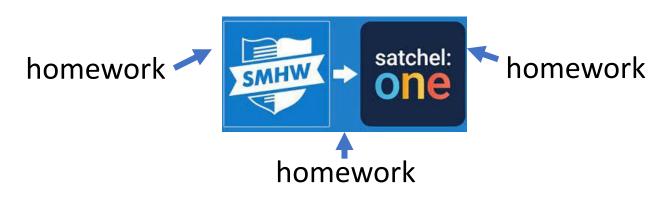
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Clubs/trips and consent forms

Cashless catering and Hardenhuish's online shop

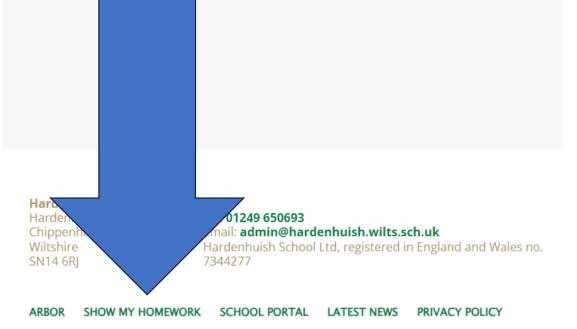


OUR SCHOOL \*

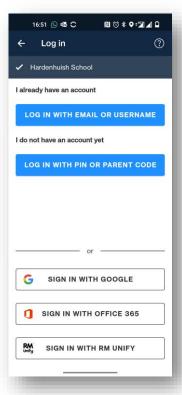
#### **About Our School**

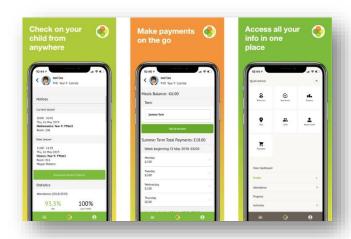
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#### Read more









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- Logging in
- How to manage money for food/drink
- Viewing timetables
- Clubs/Trips

#### **Arbor Shop!**

 Parent Access for Shop for lockers, replacement smart cards, ties,

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#### Parent Portal Usage

#### Parent Usage - Current Students

Current Students whose parents have logged on at least once

97%

#### Parent Logins Per Week - Current Students

Year to date (2024/2025)

5,053

- Logging in 100% year 7 parents are already using Arbor
- Login details emailed home (username and password)
- Search your emails for "Arbor"
- Contact
   <u>admin@hardenhuish.wilts.sch.uk</u>
   if you can't find your login details

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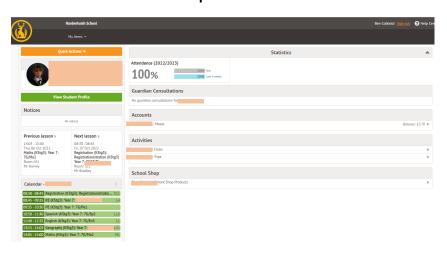
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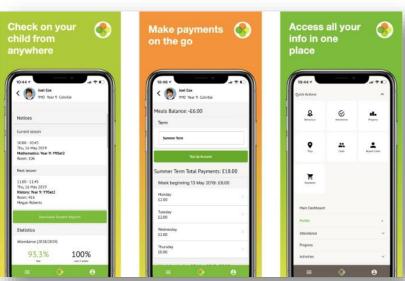
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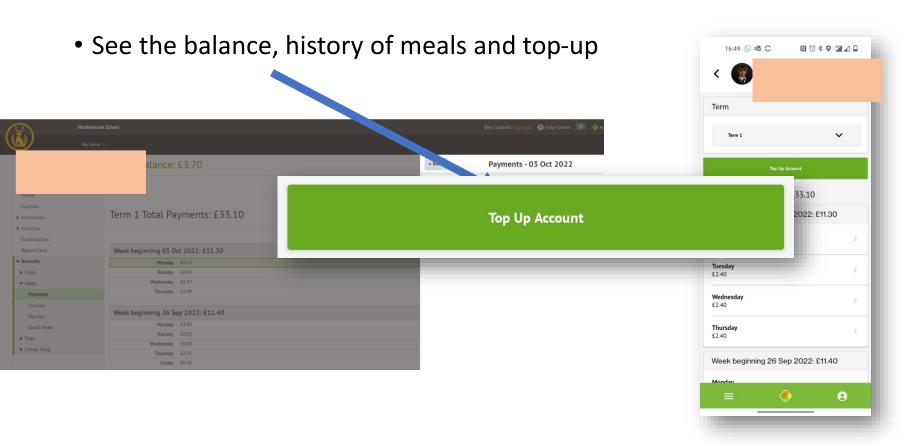
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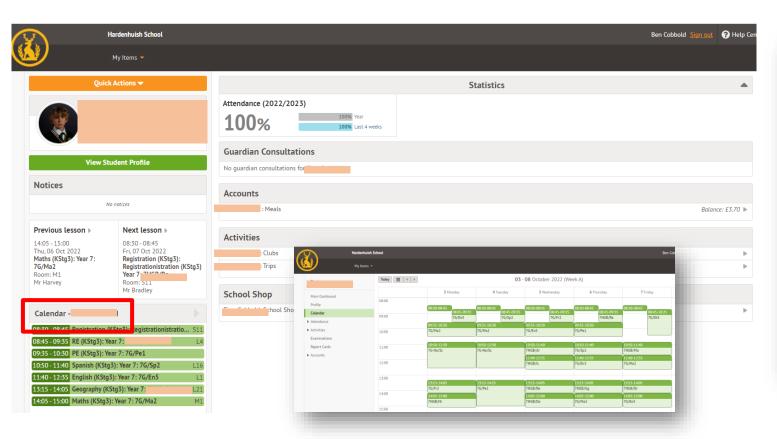
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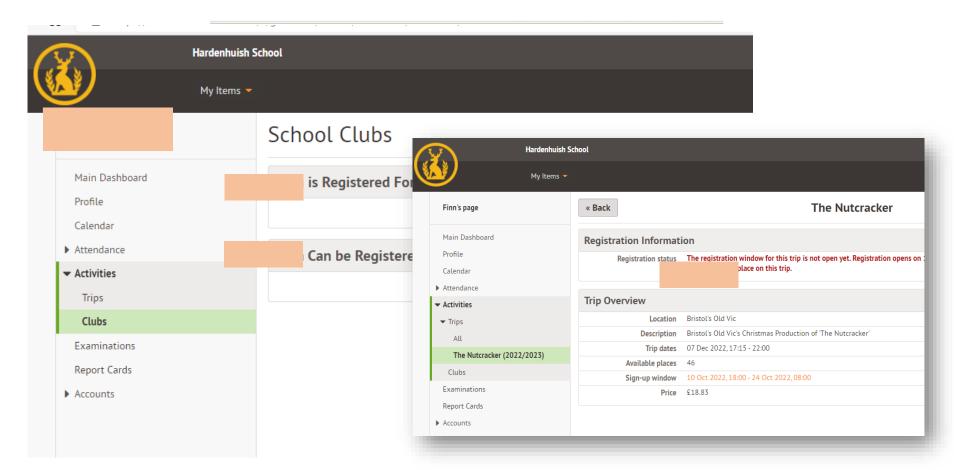
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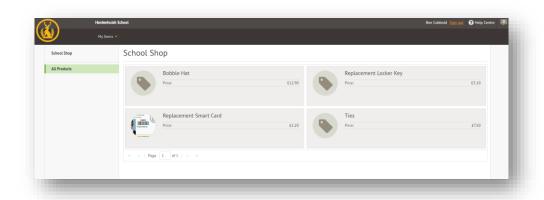
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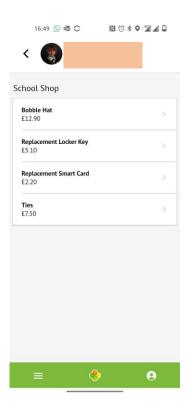
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# SMHW (Satchel One)





89% of y7 parents have logged into SMHW

Login with your parent code sent home

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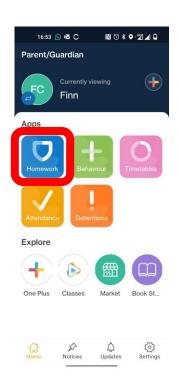
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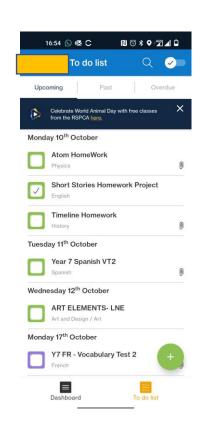
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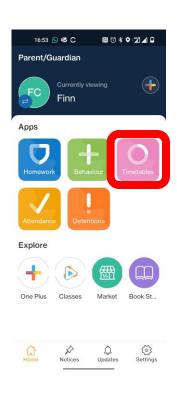


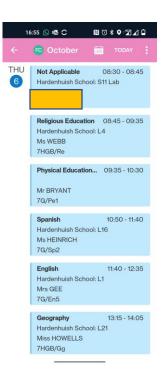




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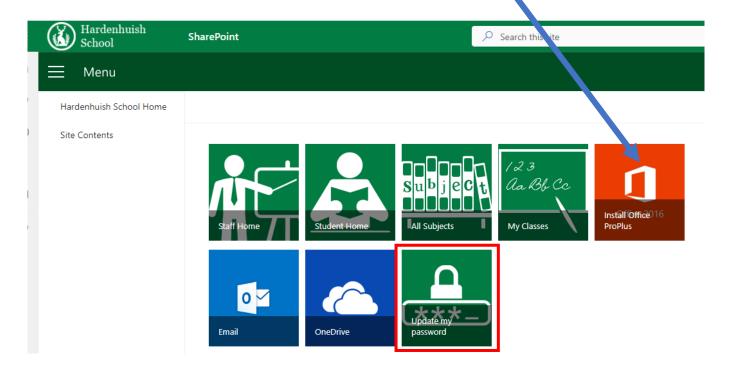
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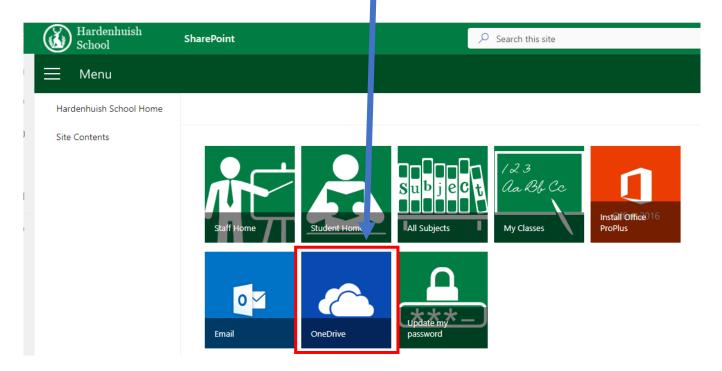
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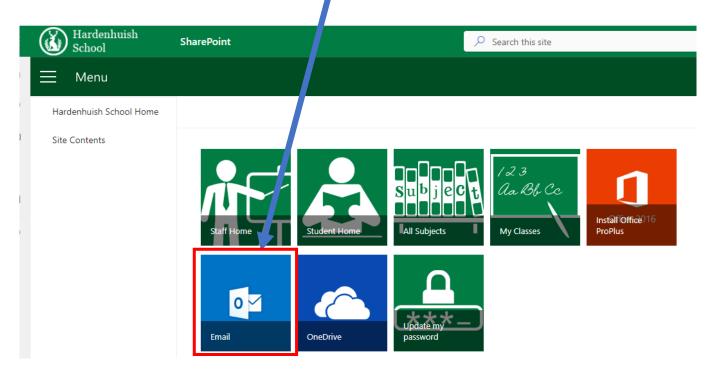
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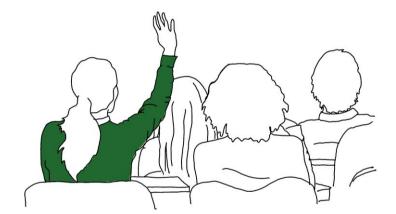
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## Friends of Hardenhuish

## **Mr Cobbold**





# The Friends of Hardenhuish

Putting the fun into fundraising.

## What is the Friends of Hardenhuish?



This is a group of parents, staff and other members of our local community who organise a number of events across the year to raise money for 'extras' that improve life at Hardenhuish.



The Friends could meet regularly but parents and staff can get involved at any time by helping to run a particular event or selling tickets.



In past years, the Friends have raised thousands of pounds which are put back into the School but we hope that the group will become a good way for parents to get more involved in the life of the school and find out more about what we do.

If you are interested in joining the Friends, please come and speak to me at the end of the evening.



## **Upcoming Events**



CHRISTMAS RAFFLE



CHRISTMAS
FAYRE –
DECEMBER
2025



QUIZ NIGHT – SPRING TERM



SUMMER EVENT



#### Thousands of brands give back when you spend



Argos
Up to 3.00% donation



John Lewis & Partners
Up to 2.00% donation



JUST EAT
Up to 13.00% donation

M&S

Marks and Spencer
Up to 3.00% donation

**TESCO** 

Tesco Groceries
Up to £2.50 donation

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## Easy Fundraising

- This is an amazing opportunity right now to raise hundreds of pounds to help your child's education at Hardenhuish School without having to spend any additional money yourself.
- Easyfundraising is a free service that allows good causes such as schools to raise money when their supporters shop online with over 2,700 retailers, including Amazon, John Lewis, Next and Argos. So when for example you sign up to a new utility company, buy your weekly online shop or order what you need from Amazon you can raise additional money for the school at no extra cost to yourself if you enter the relevant webpage via the EasyFundraising site.
- https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/invite/JKWXGB/

## Dates for the Diary

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2<sup>nd</sup> October – Go Ape
9<sup>th</sup> October – Tutor PPCE
10<sup>th</sup> October – Hello Yellow Day
21<sup>st</sup> October – Report 1 sent home
22<sup>nd</sup> October – End of term 1
3<sup>rd</sup> Nov – Term 2 starts. Jumpers compulsory
13<sup>th</sup> Nov – Poetry workshop
27<sup>th</sup> Nov – Poetry Slam Showcase
28<sup>th</sup> Nov – TD Day
12<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Fayre
19<sup>th</sup> December – Church Service and End of Term 2 at
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12.30pm

## **Y7** Parent feedback



This form is **anonymous** if you would like it to be. We are here to help and would appreciate your feedback on **how** well **your young person is settling in**. We are always keen to improve and would appreciate any reflections on how the **induction programs** have enabled your young person to start well with us. If you have any questions not answered in the PIAG please put these here