

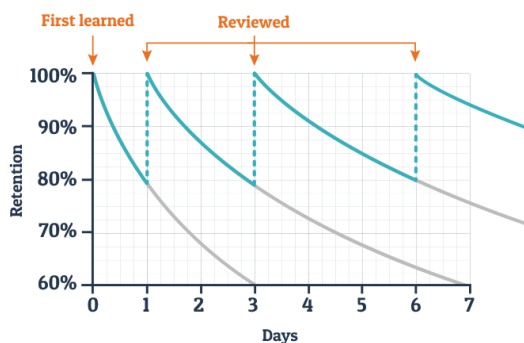
Dear Parents/Carers,

Assessment Week.

Please find this letter as a refresher about our assessment process.

As I'm sure you will recall, the chart below outlines our method for ensuring that whatever we teach, Scholars remember:

Typical Forgetting Curve for Newly Learned Information



As well as splitting different learning points into specific lessons, we have organized our entire curriculum into a set of 4 block per year called Achievement Cycles (AC). Our 3rd AC will finish this week.

The assessments Scholars will sit are based solely upon what has been taught over that AC and so always give a very strong indication of how much Scholars have retained and, most importantly, tell their teachers what they need to reteach because they haven't learned enough about that topic.

The AC tests have been designed to test pure knowledge as well as ability to apply that knowledge in longer answers and are scored as a percentage. The test itself will be a mixture of rigorous multiple choice questions as well as slightly longer answers. When all of the assessments are in and marked, your child will receive a breakdown of all of their scores and you will receive a 1 page summary.

After this has been done, we will use all of the data we have and then make changes to Scholar Groups in order to ensure that all of our scholars are in the correct group. All Scholars will take their AC Files from AC2-3 home with them this week to revise, these will need to be returned after reteach week.

Yours sincerely



Damian Belshaw
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