Year 7 Parent/Carer Information Evening

Supporting your child at BSCS

10th September 2026

Special Educational Needs and Disabilities

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Learning plans

All students that are on the SEN register will be flagged on Abor and then information will be given to teachers via our SEND dashboard.

K- means your child is on the SEND register

E- means that your child has an Education and Health Care Plan

	Name	Class	SEN Status	Need	Access arrangements	Strategies	Strategies	resonable adjustments	other information
2	xxx	7Y	K	ASD & dyslexia		Link to ASD	Dyslexia suppor	Sensory break, sit near front	
3	xxxx	7Y	E	ASD	Temp- 25% extra time	Link to learning plan			

Individual Learning Plans (ILP)

Photo

Individual Learning Plan
2025-2026

Name:	DOB:	Year Group:	Primary area of need:
Stage:	Key worker:	House:	

Overview of strengths:	Strategies to support:	Access arrangements (temporary):
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		Parent/family voice:
Overview of Needs: (including diagnosis)		Learner voice:
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Cycle 1 – Provision deliverable within the classroom

Desired Outcomes	Strategies to Achieve this Outcome (inc. Provision and frequency)	Feedback
Target 1:		
Descriptor of **Baseline (B) and end (E)** Levels: Ratings: **1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10**		
Target 2:		
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Target 3:		
Descriptor of **Baseline (B) and end (E)** Levels: Ratings: **1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10**		

Meetings with the school for SEND students

SEND K students

- Meet the tutor
- Parents evening
- Meeting with learning support/head of year on request

Students with an EHCP

- Meet the tutor
- Parents evening
- Offer of meeting with review of learning plan (optional)
- Annual review

Who to contact

If you need to make an appointment or speak to the learning support team please email our SEND admin support holly.wynne-hughes@olympustrust.co.uk

Reading at BSCS

"We are a reading school"

- Students should bring a reading book to tutor time every day for 'Drop Everything and Read'.
- The LRC is open every breaktime and after school Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday for students to borrow books
- Guided Reading will take place in every English lesson (15 minutes).
- Year 7 students will have access to 'Sparx Reader' platform.
- 'Sparx Reader' assessments are completed three times per year (Terms 1, 3 and 5) in English lessons.
- 'New Group Reading Tests' (NGRT) take place in Term 1.
- Regular enrichment clubs based around reading.

Reading at BSCS

- Y6 SATs, Sparx and NGRT assessments will provide us with valuable data, including students' 'reading age' and 'standard age score'. Scaled score will be reported home.

- Aim for all students reading age to match or exceed their chronological age.

- This data will inform targeted interventions depending on students' reading profile

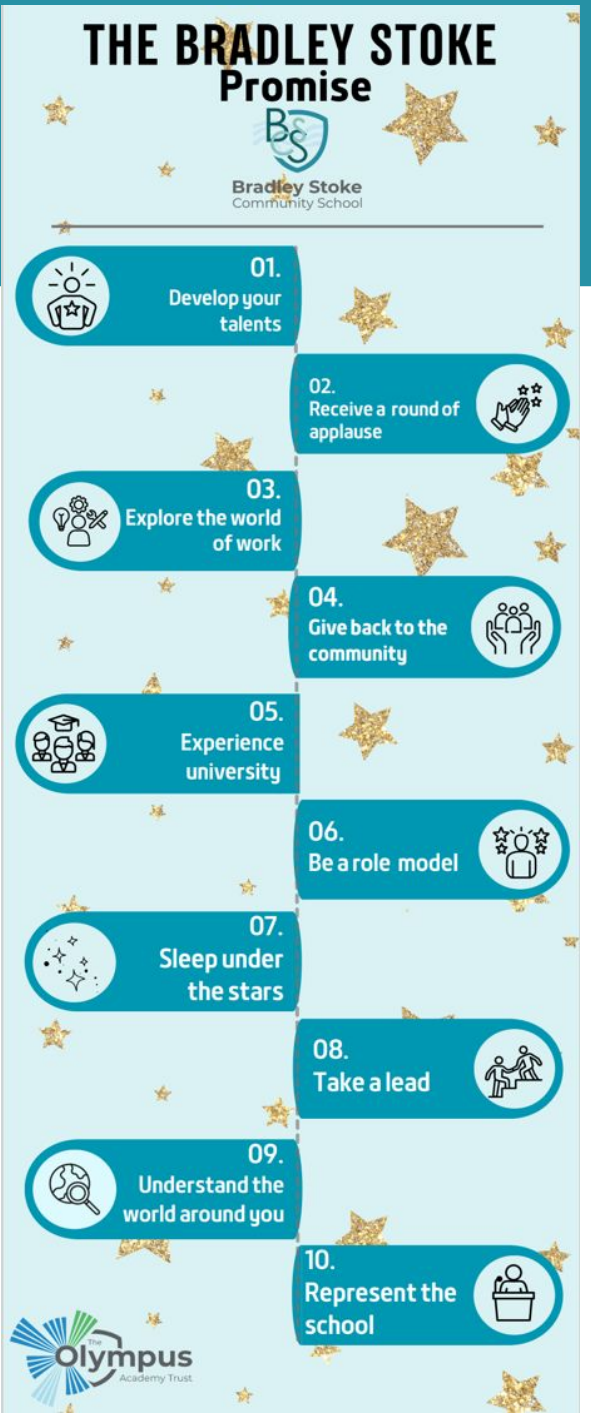
Student	Reading Age	SAS	FSM	SEND	EAL	Profile description
Student A	14:03	111	No	No	No	Reading at or above expectations. Balanced profile
Student B	9:07	81	No	No	No	Word reading and comprehension below age expectation
Student C	10:08	90	No	No	Yes	Reading is limited by vocabulary, syntax and grammar knowledge

- Trained staff with protected timetable will offer specialised support. Evidence shows rapid progress.

- Multiple competitions, events and promotions to foster a culture of reading, and reading for pleasure

Bradley Stoke Promise

1. Develop your talents
2. Receive a round of applause
3. Explore the world of work
4. Give back to the community
5. Experience university
6. Be a role model
7. Sleep under the stars
8. Take a lead
9. Understand the world around you
10. Represent the school



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Enrichment clubs (updated every two terms)

Enrichment days (two per year)

Enrichment week (last week of the academic year)

Inter-tutor programme (termly competitions)

FSM entitlement per year is one of:

- One residential trip per year (UK)
- 50% reduction for non-UK residential
- 3 x day trips

Enrichment Day 1: Westonbirt Arboretum (October 20th)
Enrichment Day 2: Sports Journalist Day/This Girl Can (Term 4)

Enrichment Week: PGL (Liddington). Three days, two nights.

Free School Meals

We know circumstances can change, so we wanted to remind you that you can apply for Free School Meals for your child.

You are eligible if in receipt of Universal Credit and have a household income less than £7,400 per year.

Why apply?

- Your child will receive free, nutritious meals at school
- The school will receive additional funding to support learning and wellbeing
- Your child may benefit from help with school trips, extra-curricular activities, and learning resources

https://oneb2b.southglos.gov.uk/CitizenPortal_LIVE/en

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Citizen Portal

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Don't have an account? Please **register an account**

Required fields are marked with a red asterisk *

Email address *

Password *

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Forgot your password?

Sign in

Welcome to the South Gloucestershire Council Citizen Portal

The Citizen Portal allows you to provide and receive information securely.

To use this site you will need to first register then you can add and view applications for supported child related services.

School Admissions.
If you live in South Gloucestershire you will be able to apply for a school place. For guidance with completing school admission applications: southglos.gov.uk/admissions

Free School Meals.
Apply through this website if you believe you may be entitled to Free School Meals. This will benefit you, the child and the school.

2 year old funding.
Please use this site to apply for the 2-year-old funding for families in receipt of specific government support. If you are looking to apply for the new entitlement for 2-year-olds in working families coming into effect from April 2024, please visit www.gov.uk/apply-free-childcare-if-youre-working, as the scheme is administered by HMRC and not the Local Authority. You will need to create a government gateway account if you haven't done so already.

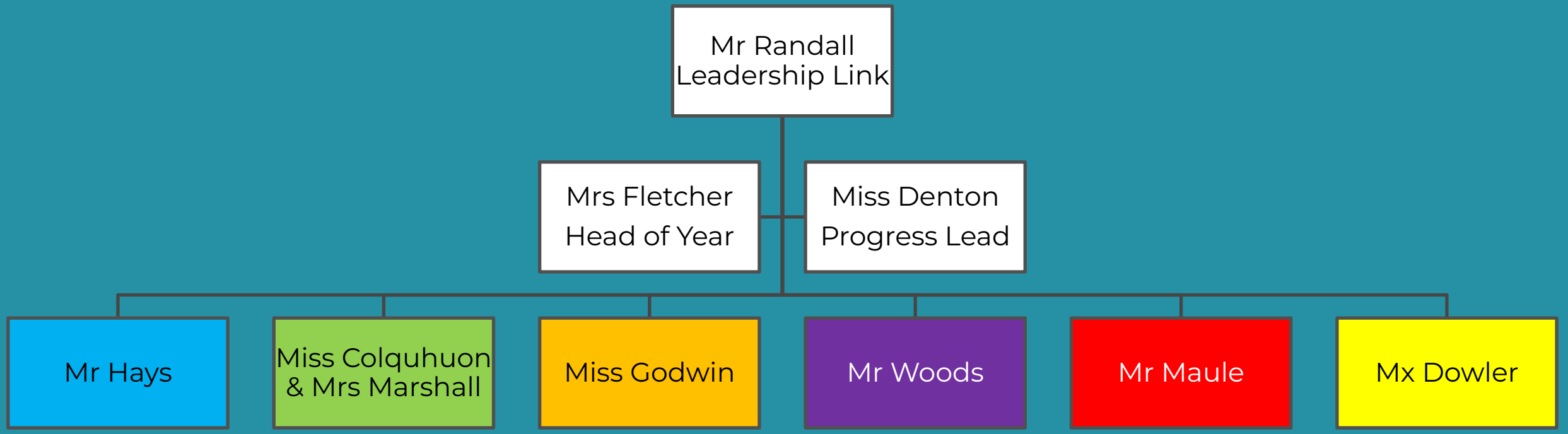
This website is operated by South Gloucestershire Council

Term 1 Enrichment Clubs (3pm – 4pm)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Rugby (All years) Top Field (IBu/HBc) ***Basketball*** (Y10, 11, 12 & 13) Sports Hall (SHa) **Creative Writing** (Y7, 8 & 9) PF6 (CMu) **Student Newspaper** (Y7-11) G39 (SMa) *Week A only* ***Guitar and Keyboard*** (Y7, 8 & 9) F12/Practice Rooms (JTo) ***Jam Club*** (Y9, 10 & 11) F12/Practice Rooms (JTo)	***Basketball*** (Y7, 8 & 9) Sports Hall (IBu/HBc) **Netball** All years) Courts (HPn/SHa/CFl)	***Science Club*** (Y7, 8, 9, 10) F42 (Science team and Post 16 students)	***School Production*** (Y7, 8, 9, 10 & 12) Main Hall (CGo/RMe) ***Language Leaders*** (Y9, Y10 invite only) F29 (NMa) ***Gardening and Biodiversity Club*** (Y7, 8 & 9) Outside LRC (CCh/JDo/AMo) **Boccia** (All years) Sports Hall (BJa)	***Expressive Writing*** (All years) G69 (NHa)

Year 7 Pastoral Team: Structure

Bradley Stoke Community School



Rewards

- Rs are short for Rewards, R1 is the smallest reward through to R5 being the highest
- Rs count towards the Intertutor Competition which happens in each year group and across the whole school
- Certificates are also given out once students hit significant milestones in the number of Rs awarded

Consequences

- Cs are short for Consequences, C1 is the least severe consequence which escalates to C5 being the most severe

- Students are given a warning as a last chance to correct their behaviour before receiving a C1

- If their behaviour does not improve, they will receive a C2 and go to a buddy classroom, they will then need to have a conversation with the teacher after school

- More severe misbehaviours will result in detentions of various lengths or time in Reset

Equipment

- All should have received a pencil case containing a pen, pencil, pencil sharpener, eraser, protractor, ruler and compasses

- Scientific calculator required for Maths and Science, we recommend Sharp El-W531TL

- Coloured pencils required for Art and PD

- 3.5 mm jack plug in headphones required for IT, Music and Computi

Uniform

- Trousers should be black and straight cut, not skinny cut, slim cut or cargo style, not leggings, flared leggings or tracksuit bottoms
- Skirts should be black, pleated and knee length
- Shorts should be black, tailored and knee length, not cargo style
- Flat black shoes with no visible logos
- Black socks or tights

Uniform

- Only one pair of plain stud earrings, no other jewellery (unless religious)
- No make up to be worn in Year 7 and 8
- Hair should be tied up for any practical subjects, such as PE, PD or Science practicals
- Hair should not be dyed

PE kit

- Trainers (studded boots sport dependent)
- Branded PE top
- Plain black shorts with no stripes, Lycra or cycling shorts are not permitted
- Plain black football socks or plain white ankle socks
- Optional branded black sweatshirt
- Optional black tracksuit bottoms with no stripes or plain black sports leggings

Homework expectations

- Homework will begin from Monday 21st September
- All homework will be set on Arbor
- Variety of online platforms (all details will be provided)
- Project based homework for some subjects

We advise spending between 15 and 30 minutes per piece of homework – your child can spend more time if they like, but we recognise that children work at different paces.

Homework

Subject	Platform	Duration	Frequency
English	Sparx	20-30 min	Weekly
Maths	Dr Frost	20-30 min	Weekly
Science	Sparx	20 min	Weekly
German	Quizlet	20 min	Weekly
Geography	Paper based	15 min	Fortnightly
History	Paper based	15 min	Fortnightly
Religious Studies	Paper based	15 min	Fortnightly
Computing	Seneca	15 min	Fortnightly

Homework

In addition to the subjects on the previous slide, students also need to spend 30 min per week working towards their ‘project’.

This rotates between the other subjects as show.

Project
Term 1: Art
Term 2: Product Design
Term 3: Drama
Term 4: Reading Challenge
Term 5: Physical Education
Term 6: Music

What if my child does not have a device?

- Unfortunately, BSCS is unable to supply devices to students who do not have access to one at home

- The LRC is open after school Mon, Tue, Thu and Fri until 4pm for students to complete homework on the computers

Tutor emails

TG	Name	Email address
7B	Mr Lewis Hays	lewis.hays@olympustrust.co.uk
7G	Miss Colquhuon (Mon/Tue/Wed) Mrs Marshall (Wed/Thu/Fri)	rebecca.colquhoun@olympustrust.co.uk nathalie.marshall@olympustrust.co.uk
7O	Miss Godwin	caitlin.godwin@olympustrust.co.uk
7P	Mr Woods	zachary.woods@olympustrust.co.uk
7R	Mr Maule	rupert.maule@olympustrust.co.uk
7Y	Mx Dowler	bonnie.dowler@olympustrust.co.uk

HoY and TPL emails

Role	Name	Email address
Head of Year 7	Mrs Fletcher	claire.fletcher@olympustrust.co.uk
Transition Progress Lead	Miss Denton	laura.denton@olympustrust.co.uk

Issue	Point of contact
Issue arising in a lesson/setting within a particular subject	The subject teacher
Unresolved issue after consulting with the teacher	The subject team lead
Concerns about academic progress and independent learning	The subject teacher in the first instance The subject team leader if required The Transition Progress Lead
Issues about tutor time/between lessons	The tutor
Concerns about friendship groups or where you feel child may be being bullied	The tutor
Where issues are unresolved after support from the tutor	The Head of Year
Trips/visits/extra-curricular activities	The member of staff organising the trip
Special Educational Needs	Mrs Rhian Prewett (SENDCO) Mrs Cristiana Ferris (Deputy SENDCO) The Learning Support Team Administrator
Where any of the above issues are not resolved	The Head of Year

Reporting Absences

24 Hour Absence Line: 01454 868 842, call the school on 01454 868840 and choose option 1 for student absence or email studentabsence@bradleystokecs.org.uk

If you know your child is going to be absent from school for a medical appointment, please could you notify the school in advance of the appointment day via the absence line or email studentabsence@bradleystokecs.org.uk

If your child is ill, please call the absence line before the start of the school day (8.20am Secondary)

If there is a problem with the absence line, you can email Madelaine McGinn, our Attendance Officer: madelaine.mcginn@olympustrust.co.uk

Key contacts

Front office email	enquiries@bradleystokecs.org.uk
Front office telephone	01454 868840
24 hour absence line (secondary & P16)	01454 868842

FAQs

- If students have been selected to represent the school in a sporting event, they will leave for this after school, unless a different arrangement has been made by the staff running the trip; you will need to consent via Arbor

- Enrichment (after school clubs) is not mandatory, but encouraged, they just need to turn up if interested, they are free

- We are catching up on fingerprints for paying in the dining hall – please bear with us!

- If students have PE first period, they still need to come to school wearing their

Enrichment Day 1: Westonbirt Arboretum

Enrichment Week: PGL Liddington

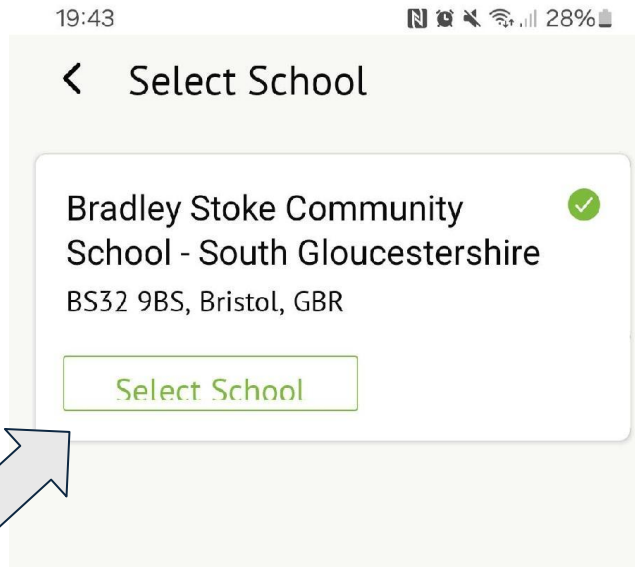
Key dates

- Wednesday 23rd September - Late start due to Open Evening
- Tuesday 13th October - Meet the Tutor Evening (in person)
- Tuesday 20th October - Enrichment Day 1: Westonbirt Arboretum
- Thursday 22nd October – Last day of Term 1
- Friday 23rd October to Monday 2nd November – Half term

Platforms

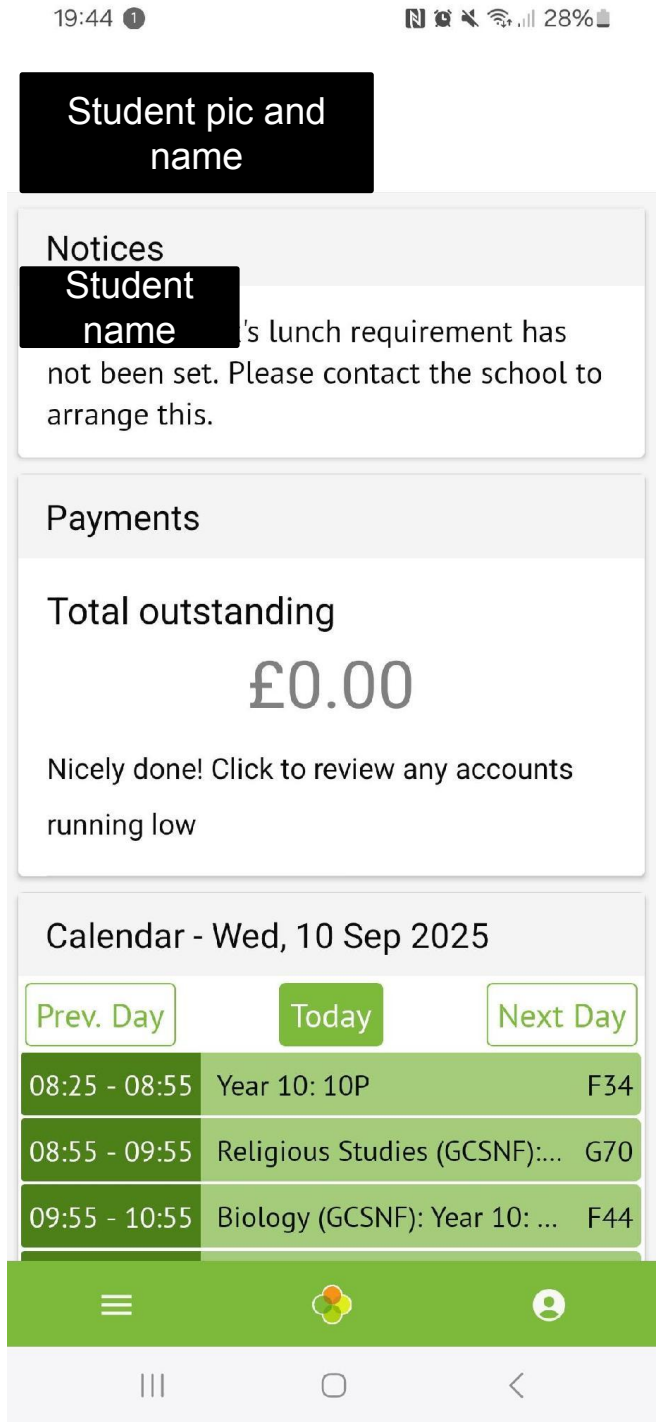
Parent Arbor

- The Parent portal of Arbor is different to what students can see
- Used to pay for school meals and trips
- View student's timetable, attendance, Rs and Cs
- Cannot be used to submit homework

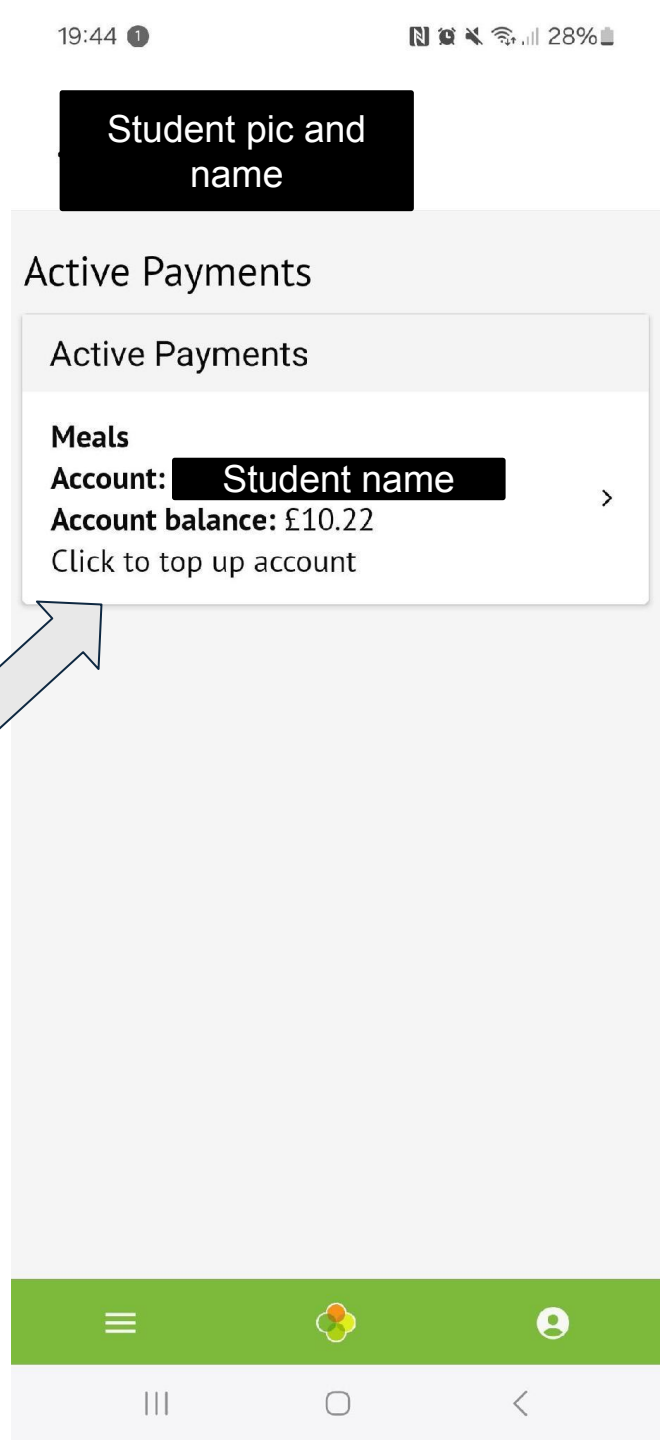


Login using email and password
then select BSCS

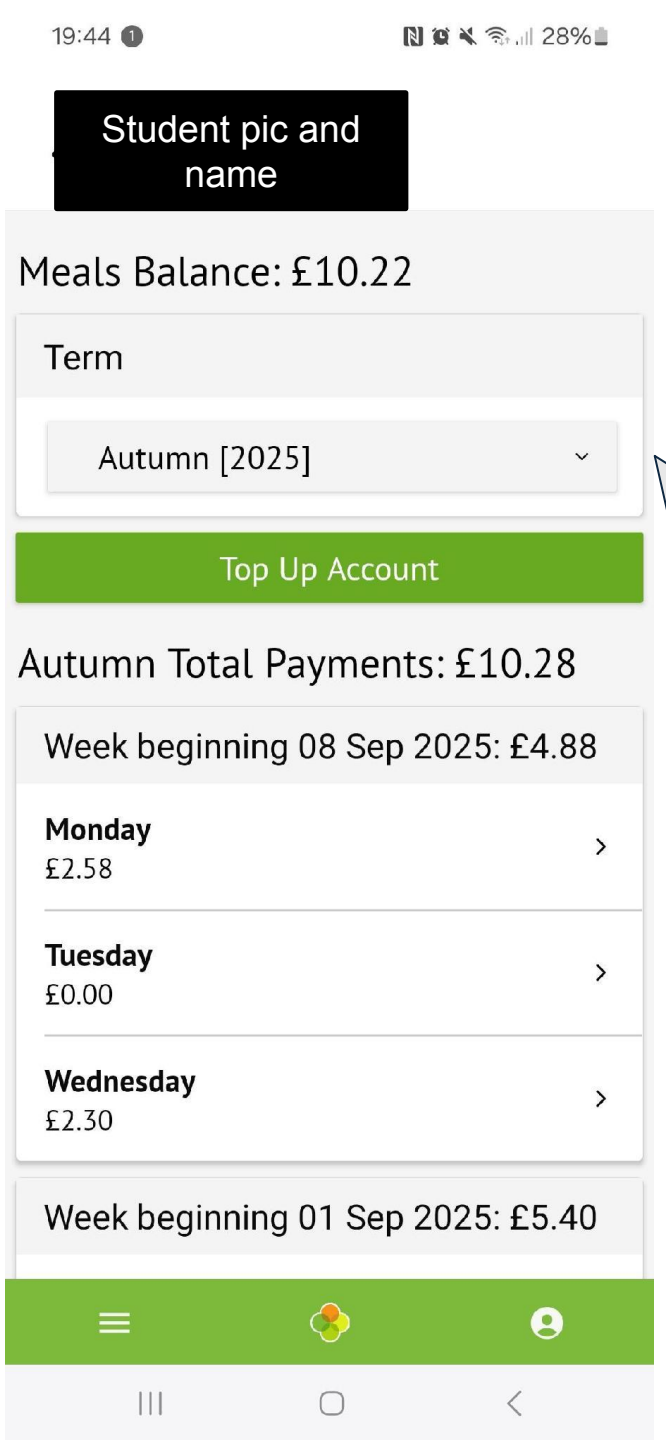
Click on payments to see your child's meal account balance/trips balances that are outstanding



Please ignore this message - this relates to Primary Phase lunches

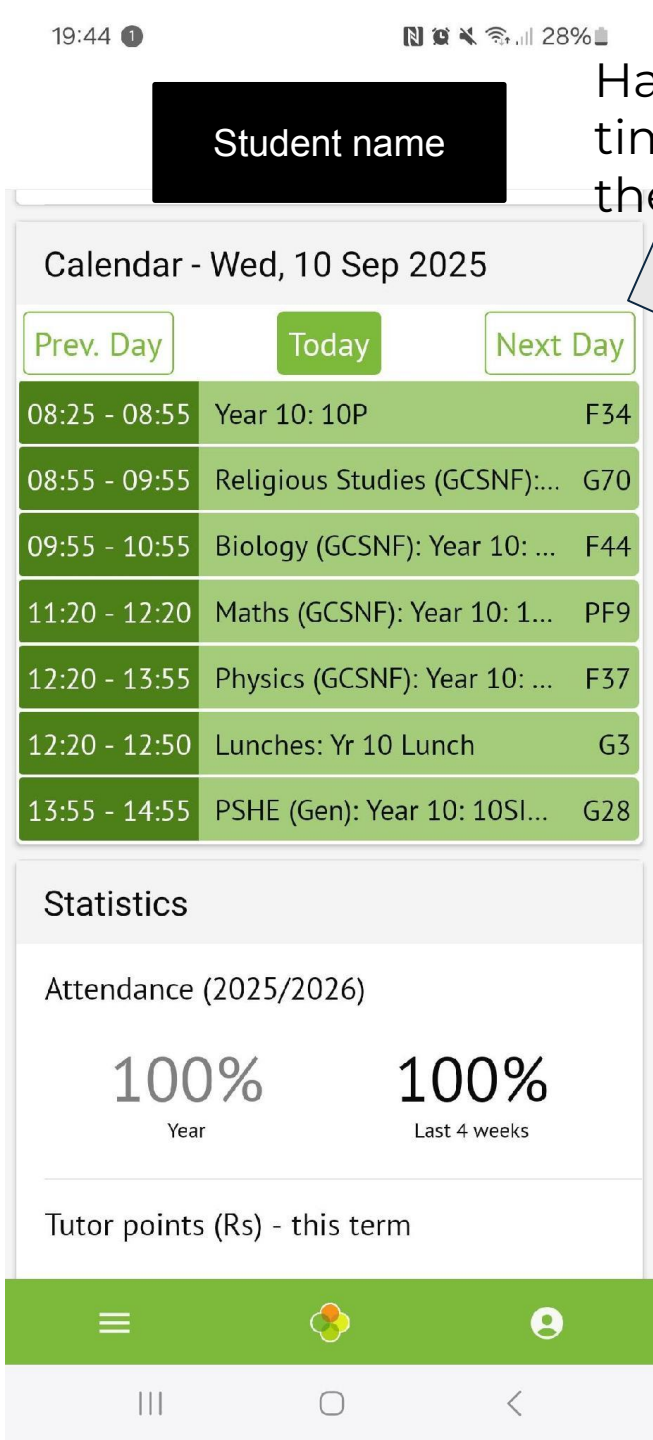


To top up your child's meal accou nt

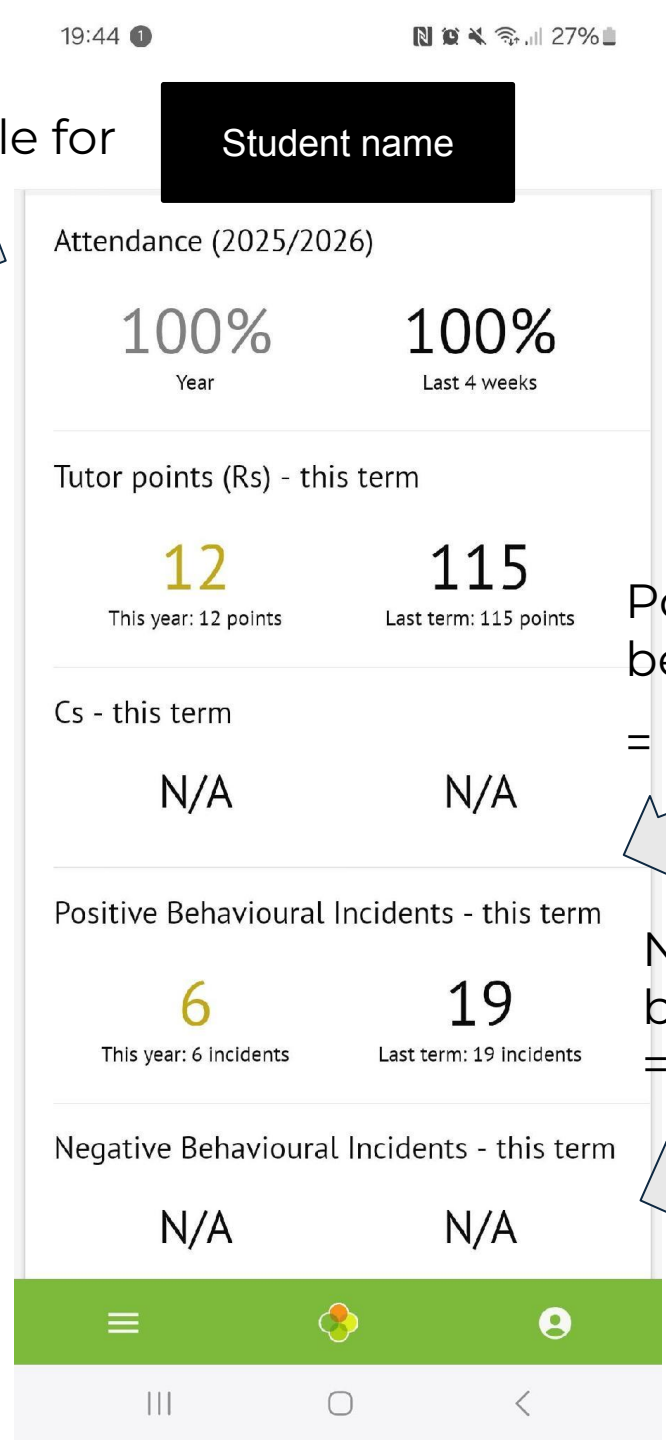


To top up, just hit the green button!

A handy breakdown per day of what your child has bought!

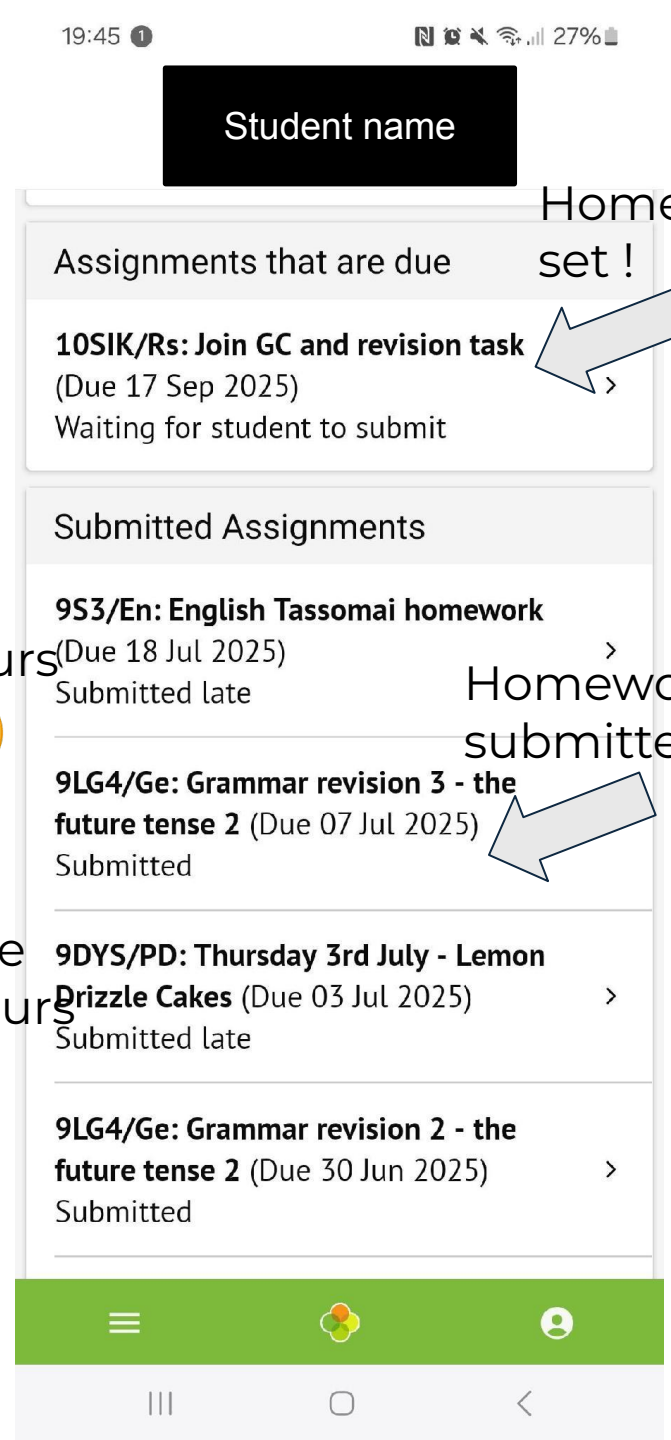


Handy timetable for the day!



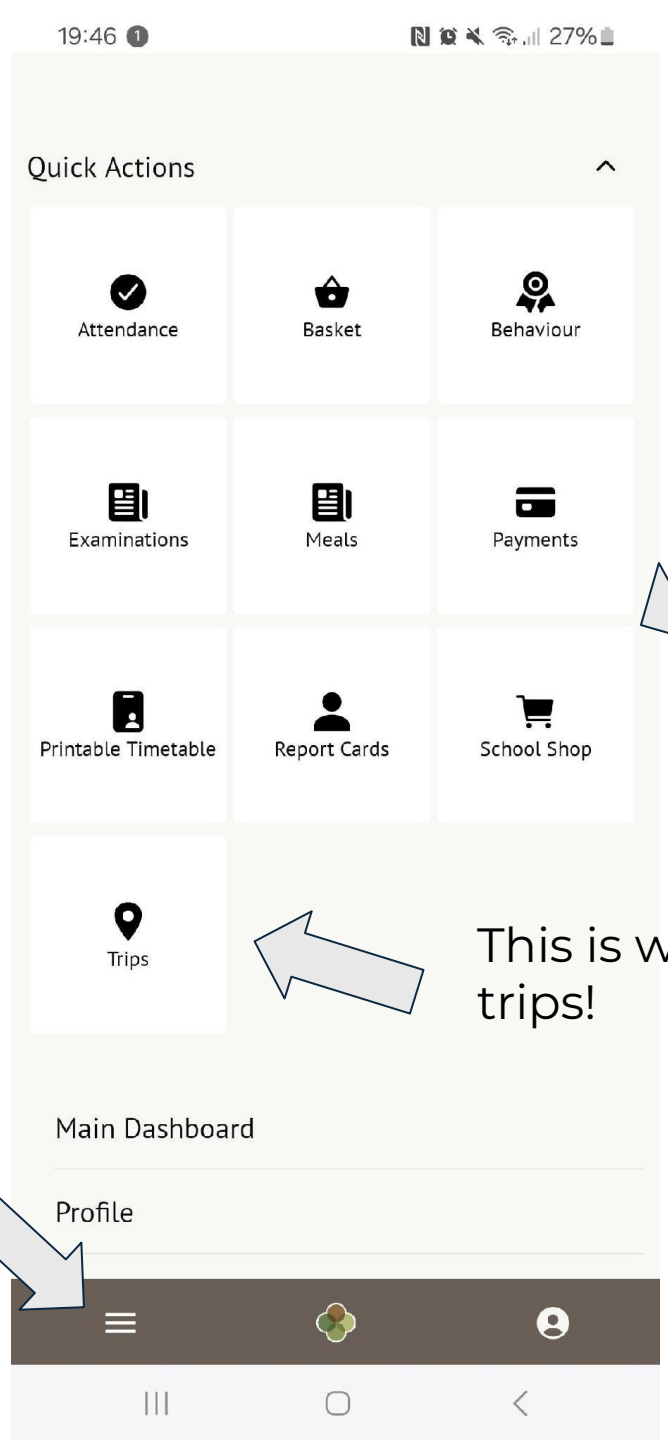
Positive behaviours = Rs! ☺️

Negative behaviours = Cs! ☹️



Homework set !

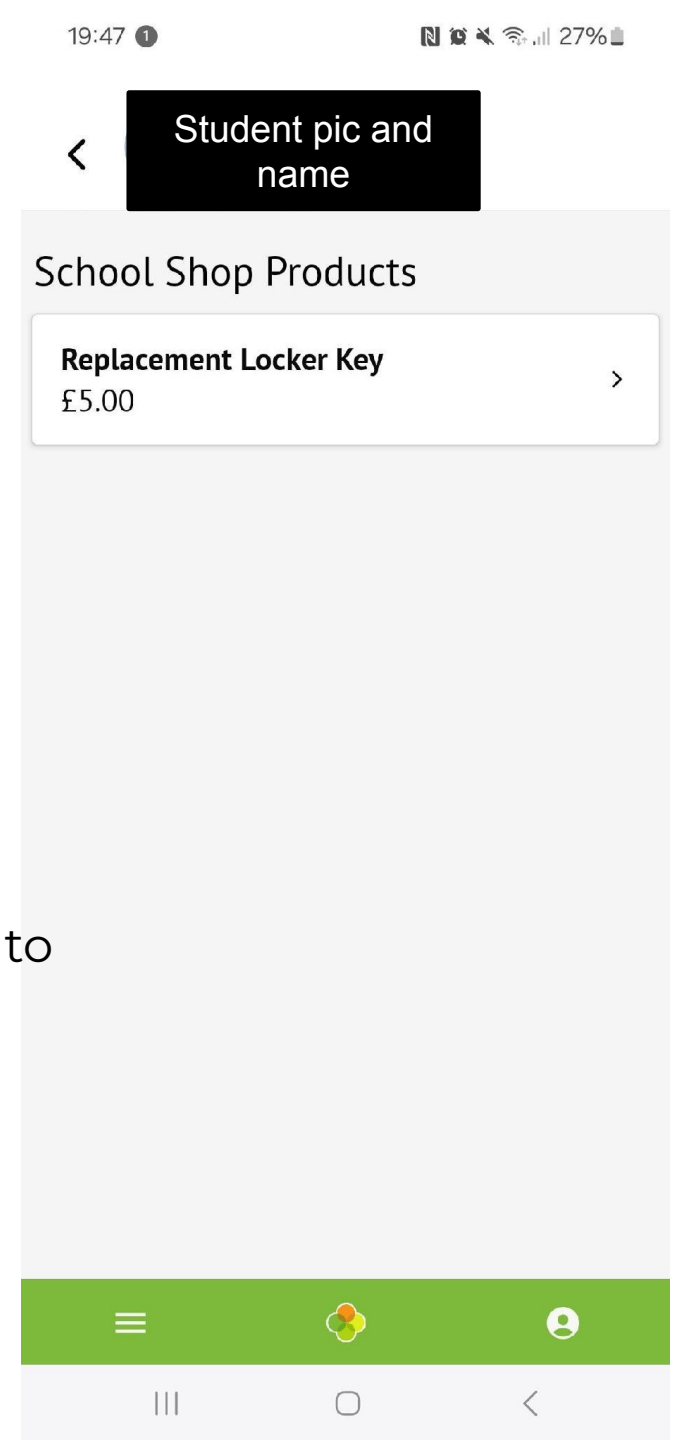
Homework submitted!



The school shop has lots of handy bits to buy!

This is where you sign up to trips!

Handy menu button brings up everything!



Student logins – IT lessons

- First IT lesson: logging on to school computers using school username and system password
- Second IT lesson: logging on to school emails and setting up Arbor
- We recommend waiting until after your child has learnt how to use emails, Arbor and Google Classroom in school to use them at home

Student logins – Usernames

- For an imaginary student Annie Smith
- The school username will look like 26SmithAn
- The school email will look like 26SmithAn@olympustrust.co.uk
- If your child attended an Olympus primary, they should already have an account

Student logins – System password

- Students will be given a system password (two words and a number, e.g. crazytoad65) to use with their username to log on to computers while in school
- On school computers, this automatically also logs them in to their school email and Google Classroom
- At home, students will need to manually log in to their school email and Google Classroom separately

Student logins – Email

- Go to Outlook, which hosts the school emails
- https://outlook.live.com/
- Enter school email and system password to log in
- You should then be able to bookmark Outlook and save log in details to your browser's password manager
- You may also want to add the Outlook app to a device used by your child

Student logins – Google Classroom

- Go to the Google Classroom login page
- https://classroom.google.com/
- Enter school email and system password to log in
- You should then be able to bookmark Google Classroom and save log in details to your browser's password manager
- You may also want to add the Google Classroom app to a device used by your child

Student logins – Google Classroom

- There will be a separate page on Google Classroom for each class
- For instance, a student in 7B should belong to the 7B Maths, 7B English, 7B Science etc pages
- Teachers will email an invitation link to the student school emails

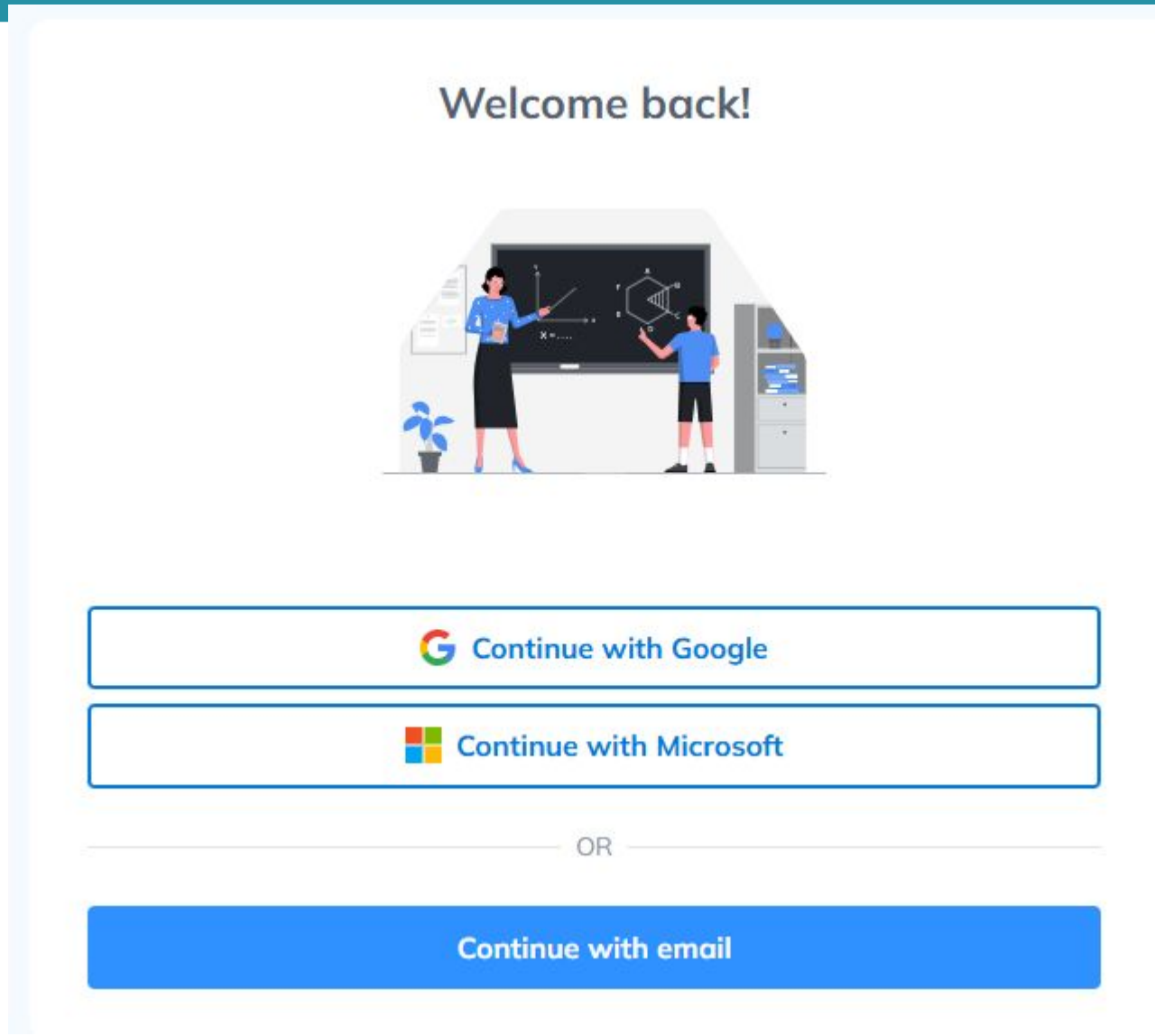
Student logins – Arbor

- Students will set up their Arbor account in their IT lesson, including choosing their password
- The student Arbor password is not by default the same as the system password
- Go to https://login.arbor.sc/
- Enter school email and Arbor password to log in
- You may also want to add the Arbor Student App to a device used by your child

Student logins – Seneca

- Seneca is also linked to student Google accounts

- When the menu opens, select the Google account linked to their school email



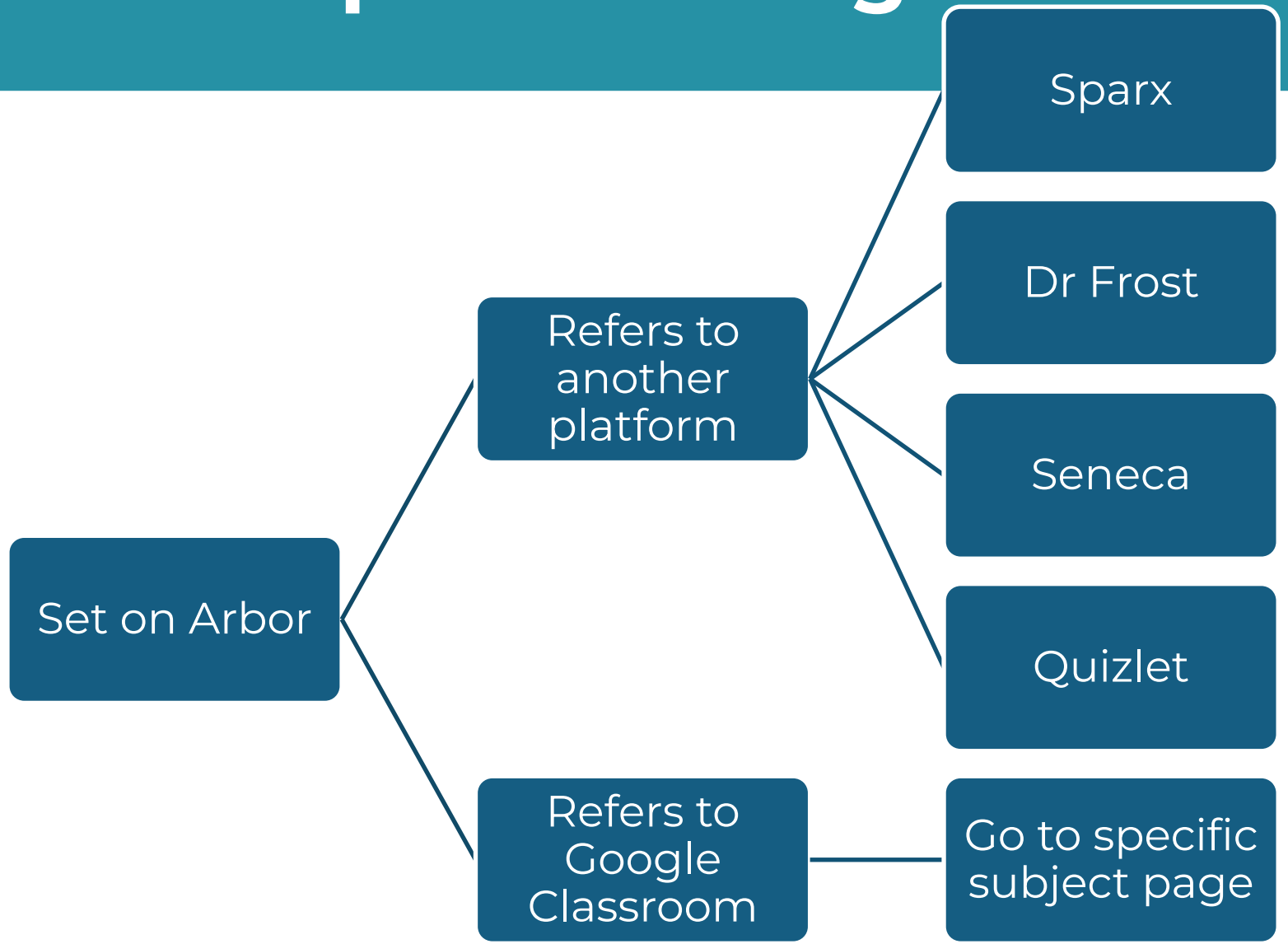
Student logins – Dr Frost Maths

- Maths uses Dr Frost Maths for homework
- The default password for Dr Frost is password
- Go to https://www.drfrost.org/login
- Enter school email and Dr Frost password to log in
- Change default password to a stronger password

Student platform logic

- Homework is set on the Arbor platform
- Assignments on Arbor often refer to assignments on Google Classroom
- If the student marks an assignment on Google Classroom as complete, they also need to mark it complete on Arbor – this does not happen automatically
- This is also true for assignments set on other platforms, such as Sparx
- Complete the assignment on the platform indicated, then mark off as done on

Student platform logic



Once completed, student marks assignment as ‘Submitted’ on Arbor

Teachers will check that the assignment is complete on the relevant platform

Request from the German team!

Quizlet

- Quizlet is an online platform that we use (in lessons and at home) to help students learn and drill vocabulary, with interactive flashcards, study activities and quizzes.
- It's free to join, but for students under 13, a parent/carer email address is required.
- If your child does not know your email address, we would like to be able to give this to them, so that they are able to sign up.
- We would be grateful if you would give your consent for us to do this using the QR code here.
- In the case of twins, please could you complete one for each child ☺️
- Please keep an eye on your inbox over the next couple of weeks and approve any request you get from Quizlet for your child's account