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Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to inform you about a strategy that we are continuing with to ensure that your child is as successful as possible in all of their subjects. Next week your child will receive their next Knowledge Organiser, with the subject content that will take them to the end of this academic year. They will also have a reminder assembly, explaining what they are and how to use them. Knowledge Organisers contain critical, fundamental knowledge that students must know in order to be successful in their current year and in subsequent years. They will help students recap, revisit and revise what they have learnt in lessons in order to move the knowledge from their short-term memory to their long-term memory.

Students must bring their Knowledge Organiser to every lesson, so I would appreciate parental support in ensuring that this happens. Your child's teachers will direct the students as to how to use the Knowledge Organisers. There are a number of ways that they may be used, for example, to learn key content in a lesson. Students can also use them independently at home to recap what they have done in their lessons. If students do this they should follow this sequence:

- Copy out the key words/definitions/facts from the Knowledge Organiser.
- Cover the definitions that have been written down, apart from the first. Read it, Cover it, Say it in your head, Check it... REPEAT until confident.
- Cover up ALL the definitions/facts and write them out from memory.
- Check your answers and correct where required.
- Repeat these steps until confident.

The Knowledge Organisers contain all of these instructions, so please do not worry about remembering them!

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely

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