

# Homework at Aldridge School

## Revise Review Recap

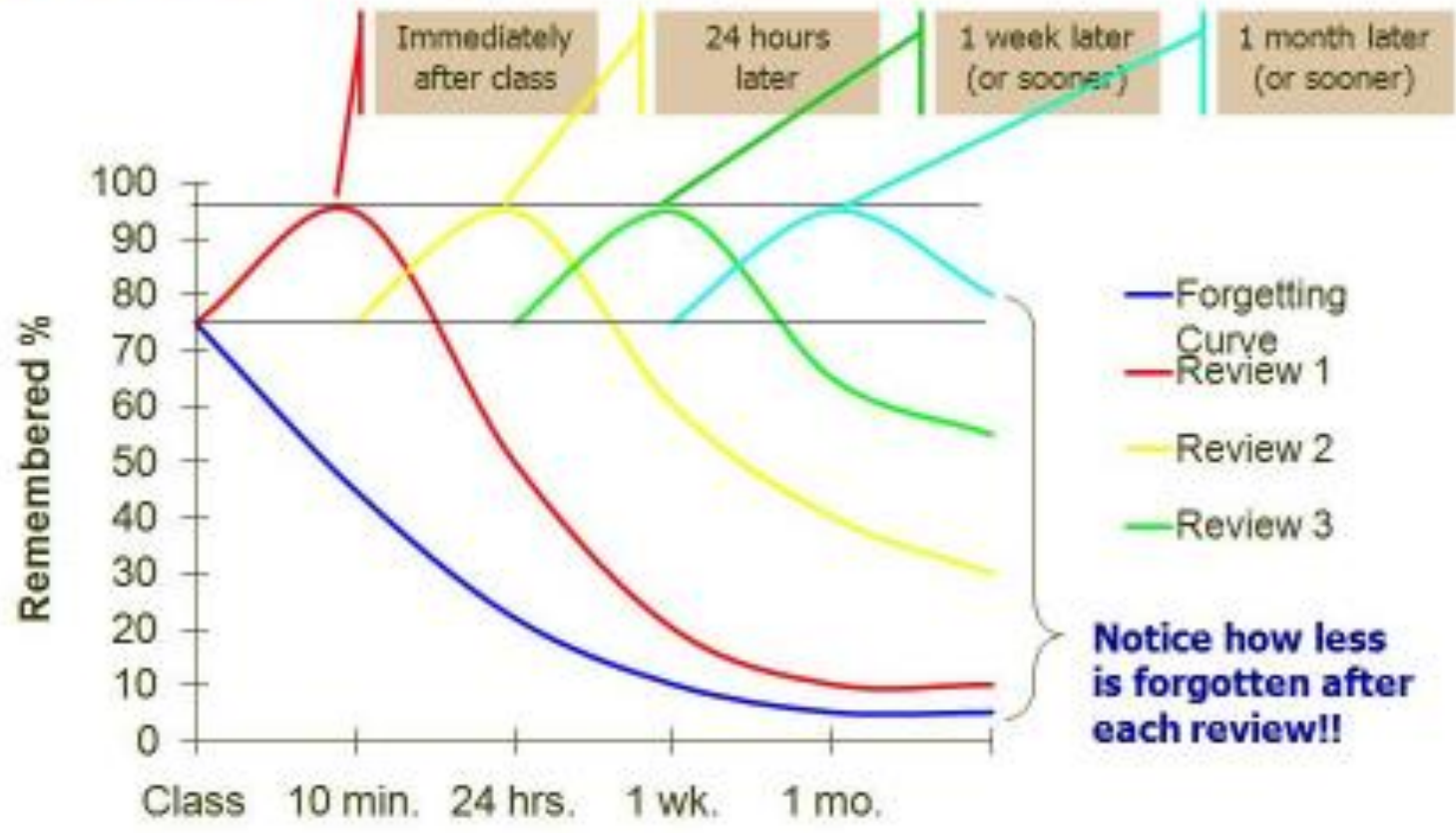


# You will have noticed....

- Your child preparing and using revision cards
- RRR mini tests and quizzes in their exercise books



# The reasons for the Revise, Review, Recap homework policy



## Homework

You will:

- Be **expected** to complete homework every day. **Revise, Recap, Review.**
- Be **expected** to revise in preparation for quizzes, tests and exams.
- Be **expected** to recap and go over the key learning points from the day.
- Be **expected** to review areas that you found challenging.
- Also receive other homework which you will be expected to write in your planner and complete to a high standard, on time. This homework is also important as it will help to raise your achievement.

Your teachers will:

- Show you different techniques to revise, recap and review.
- Test and quiz you regularly to ensure that your homework is effective.
- From time to time set other homework which supports your learning and will support in **raising your achievement**.

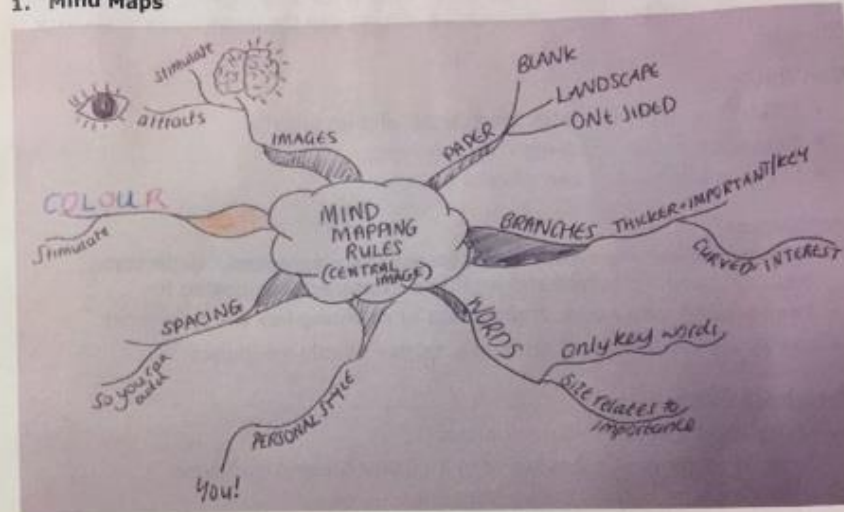
Your parent/carer can:

- Provide you with a quiet space to do your homework.
- Provide you with the resources you may need to do your homework.
- Support you to take responsibility for your own homework.
- Create a routine that works well for you.
- Encourage you to stay on track.
- Support you by quizzing and testing you.

Homework and revising is very important. All exams are now 'terminal' which means they all happen at the end of the course. There is no longer coursework or module exams. This means that you need to develop your long term memory and the very best way to do this is by revision, recapping and reviewing your work every day - and then revisiting this from time to time.

## Homework: Key Techniques

### 1. Mind Maps



### 2. Index Cards

On one side pick out key points

On the other side write so

### 3. Mini Quizzes

Write some quiz questions based on your lesson. Revisit the questions a week to see if you can answer them. Then revisit them after a month try again. Anything you can't remember - revisit it.

Visit [www.bbc.co.uk/guides/zw8qpbk](http://www.bbc.co.uk/guides/zw8qpbk) for more information and advice

How can I support my child?



# RETRIEVAL PRACTICE

THE MOST POWERFUL LEARNING  
STRATEGY YOU'RE NOT USING

STEP

1

Make a list of all the important information you need to know from a particular unit or chapter.

STEP

2

Close the books and create a quiz using flashcards or app.

STEP

3

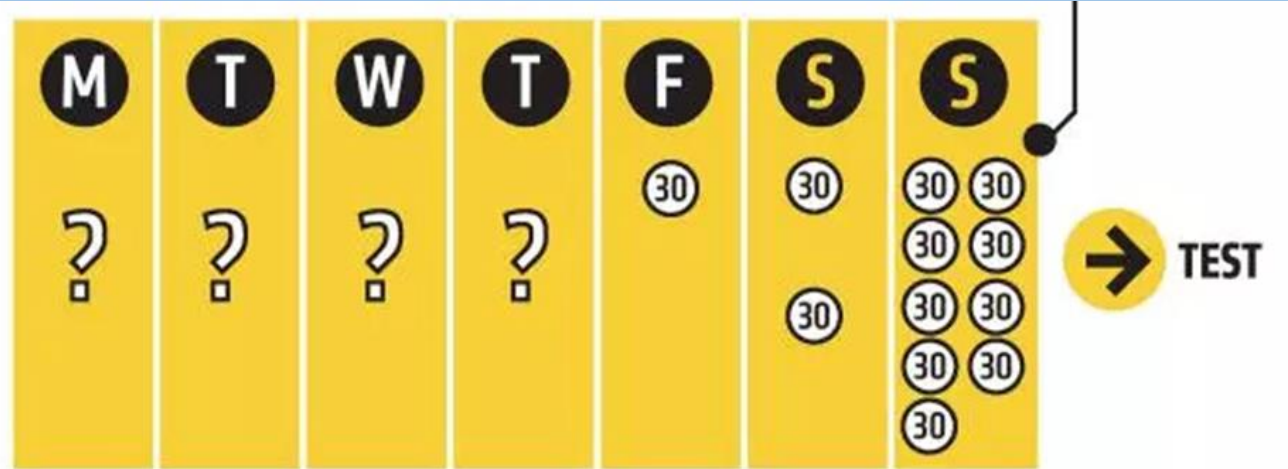
Try to retrieve everything you remember.

STEP

4

Go back and check all your answers.

# Spaced practice



We call this process *mass practice* or *cramming*, and it's one of the least effective ways of learning anything. It may get you through the exam but most of the material is quickly forgotten.

It also tends to make people very stressed and unable to work properly.

If, for example, you do this for a mock exam in March, it's highly likely you will not retain any of what you have learned by June and will have to do the whole process again.

Instead of mass practice, a much more effective way of revising is to space out your revision like this:



# Interleaving

M	T	W	T	F
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A much more effective way of organising your revision would be like this:

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# Index/revision/flash cards



On sale 50p @ break in the dining hall

Larger cards available soon.



# The message given our students

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