



Advice for Parents



At Beechen Cliff we value the way we work with parents to ensure pupils fulfil their potential. Educational studies have shown that parental support has a huge impact on pupils' attainment and that if parents and teachers work together then children are substantially more likely to achieve.

Whilst boys don't always put school work at the top of their priority list there are many things you can do to support them....

Encourage your son to:

- Be motivated and take responsibility for his own learning.
- Develop strategies for persevering when the learning is challenging.
- Prepare a revision timetable.
- Organise himself and his notes for different subjects.
- Complete work independently but to ask for help when required.
- Complete coursework to the best of his ability and not leave it to the last minute.
- Effectively prepare for Controlled Assessments.
- Go to bed at an appropriate time so he has adequate sleep and rest.
- Attend after-school and lunchtime revision sessions at school. (The dates of these are published in the Wednesday Newsletter.)

Other things you can do to support him:

- Ensure your son knows the dates and times of all his exams, Controlled Assessments and coursework deadlines. (Much of this information is available from the subject links in this document. Exam timetables will be published on the school website and in the Wednesday newsletter in due course)
- Provide a quiet place for your son to complete his work and to revise.

- Make sure your son has a healthy breakfast and drinks plenty of water on the days of exams.
- If your son is struggling with his work or with his revision then provide support if you can or point him in the direction of someone else who can.
- Purchase useful subject/course specific revision materials or ensure you know how to access materials online so your son can benefit from using them.

Contact the school:

- If you require further information or are concerned with how your son is approaching his revision. His subject teacher, tutor, Head of Faculty or Head of House is the best point of initial contact.