

# S1 Parents' Information Evening

26th November 6:30-7:30

**Helping your child develop their Literacy Skills**

# What is literacy in S1?

- S1 literacy is a core set of knowledge and skills in **listening**, **talking**, **reading** and **writing**
- Pupils need to develop their literacy skills to access all of their subjects and their exams



# S1 pupil timetable

Science

Maths

Home Economics

English

Physical Education

Business

Religious Studies

PSE

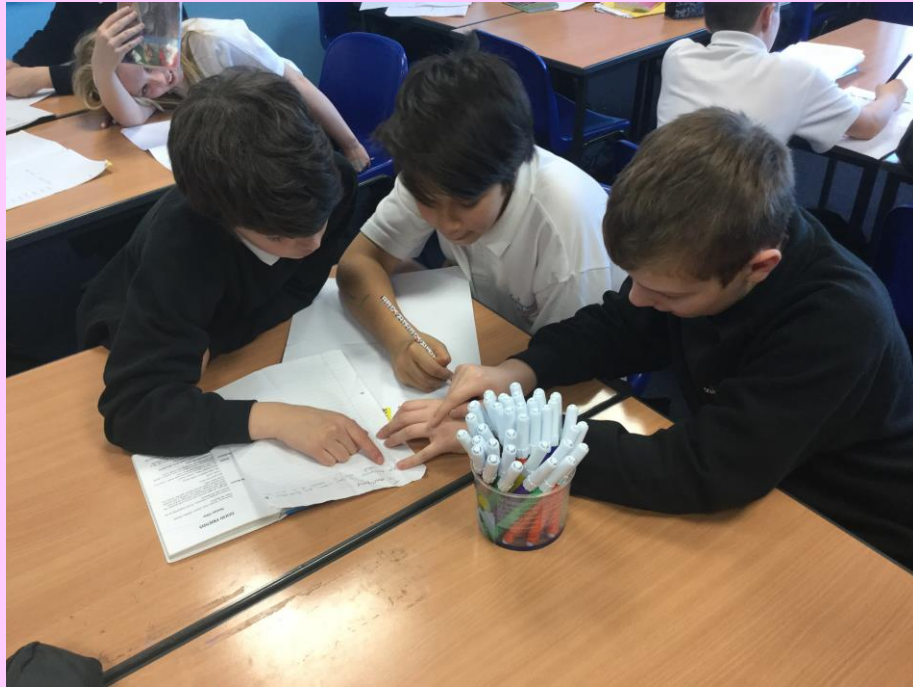
Music

Art

Drama

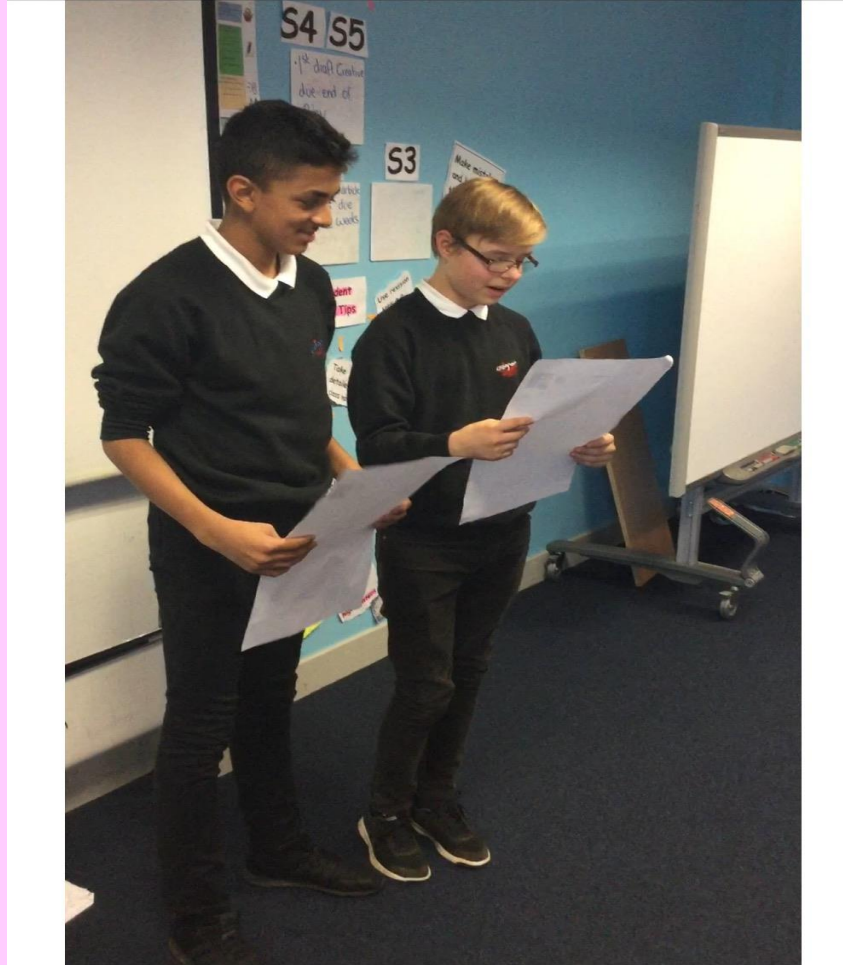
Digital Literacy

I can take part in group discussions by sharing my ideas.





I can read aloud with confidence.



I can explain why I enjoy reading a text.



I can use subject specific vocabulary.





# I can listen carefully for instructions.



## Things to do today

- Complete unit assessment
- Get up to date with workbook - complete timeplanning
- Clean your cooker top
- Check your unit is clean and tidy - like the photo on cupboard.



I can identify different types of written texts such as reports, Science experiments, blogs, BBC Bitesize App.



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**Keep support  
casual**



**Keep things positive.  
Focus on how you can  
help.**

**Find out about  
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what I already  
do. Give  
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gaps.**



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# How is the school promoting literacy in S1?

- S1 Library Literacy Programme - promotes reading skills (notemaking, keywords, mind maps, skimming, scanning)
- Reading up Programme
- Word walls
- Debating
- JASS

