

The purpose of this document is to update the new parents on how our tuition works and what/how you'll need to do prep at home.

#	BOOKS/TEST PAPERS - HOW TO DO (PLANNING)
1	Student must do 11+ books as per the schedule.
2	The date on the homework sheet is the ' week beginning ' date. For example 11/09 means that you must start Paper 1 in week beginning 11th Sep
3	The order of doing books should be – English, VR, NVR and then Math.
4	Your child can do the books at a faster pace. If you have more time, he/she may do some other publications such as CGP or Letts.
5	There is not enough room on the Bond books. Therefore, any Maths workings (for selective questions) must be done neatly on a blank sheet.
6	English to be done in the book. Note that the format for 11+ is Multiple-choice and for private school it is descriptive i.e. write long answers.
7	VR must be done on the book; a blank sheet may be used separately to do any workings for code problems.
8	NVR can be done on the book by circling the option.

#	BOOKS - STEPS TO FOLLOW AT HOME
1	Circle: Students must circle the questions that they found hard or tricky or if they are unsure of.
2	Test time: The suggested time is shown in the front of books. It may be extended if your child is weak at any subject. However, if your child is very strong and usually finish test quickly, you may choose for reduced test times. The Year 4 students may take more time but ensure that they've attempted the whole paper. The suggested test times for Year 5 students are: English (30mins); VR (30mins) and Maths (25mins). The target for NVR is 30 seconds per question. For example if a test has 54 questions, the test time would be 27 minutes.
3	Revision: Students must spend full test time. It means if Math paper is meant for 30 mins and your child finishes in 20mins, he must revise the paper for the remainder of 10 mins rather than looking at the ceiling or start doing something else. On the other hand, if your child is unable to finish in 30 mins, you may choose to give additional time to ensure that he/she finishes the paper.
4	Marking: After completing the test, parents must mark the answers . If parents are busy, student can mark their answers. Please ensure to mark the score on the sheet provided back of the book.
5	Analysis: Parent & student to review the paper and see which ones are silly mistake or conceptual issue. The latter ones are where your child is not sure about how to do that question type. Please highlight the conceptual ones using a fluorescent highlighter. Your child must ask these questions in the class and these will definitely be explained in the class. Other good questions that are more 11+ exam specific will also be explained.

#	WHAT WE COVER IN THE TUITION
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Students are taught concepts in every class. During the beginning of term, the papers covered in class go at different (slower) pace as concepts are covered first to consolidate knowledge. Also, most of the paper is covered in the initial sessions to give comfort to new students. * Later on (from Jan), as the students become more comfortable with the contents, only selective (hard/tricky) questions would be covered in the class. * We pick top speed from summer months and by Aug (after rigorous Year 5 revision course), most of our students are good enough to complete and revise the 11+ exam in the stipulated time.
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Students are given a weekly schedule of papers to complete such as 2 paper of Maths, 1 of VR, 1 of Eng and half NVR * The homework load is usually kept low at the beginning and then gradually picks up. * We encourage students to ask question, be attentive in the class and take notes. * We also work 1-1 with parents (mostly Y5) over emails, phone and whatsapp. If your child is struggling with some concepts, we do try to work with the parents and iron out the issues.
3	<p>Eng Comprehension:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * We explain the strategy to find the answer from the passage * We also explain how to write your answers articulately
4	<p>Maths:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Tricks: We teach more than one ways of solving the questions (where applicable) so that students understand the best way to do a given question. * Speed: We teach students how to calculate question with top speed. Also, when to show (or not show) workings. * We broadly cover 40 topics total in Year 4 and Year 5. The syllabus for super-selective boys can go upto pre-GCSE.
5	<p>VR and NVR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * VR - We teach everything from all VR 21 types such synonyms, antonyms, compound words, analogy and codes etc. * NVR - We teach strategy and techniques. This is one area where our students become very sharp by using our problem solving techniques.

6	<p>Eng Creative Writing (only for super-selective boys)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * We teach Creative Writing framework (foundation in Y4 and advanced in Y5) * All common writing formats are taught - Story writing, Continuation, Letter (formal/informal), Report, Persuasive Writing and Recount. * We brainstorm topics and provide inputs taken from past students who have successfully passed top exams.
7	<p>Extension Material:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * We provide our extension material to students at various stages of 11+ prep. This helps students to fill the gap between books available in the market and what comes in the 11+ exam. * The material shared with students goes up as we approach the latter stage of 11+. However, the material is for class-room only and not given to parents (to ensure the confidentiality).
8	<p>Strategy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * We provide you guidance on catchments, which grammar school may suit your child better. * We provide you customized guidance on how you can do things at home to get best results. * We provide students guidance about what is "hot" and what is "not hot" from the exam's perspective (based on past experience)
9	<p>What we need from parents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Ensure that your child brings the correct set of books and stationery * Submit homework on time * Read our messages (word by word) and follow instructions related to parking, collection etc. so that there is minimal disruption to run the classes. * Pay us on time i.e. as per the payment schedule * After completing exam, provide us feedback * Upon passing 11+ exams, provide us your results and please recommend our tuition to friends/families + provide review on FB.