



# Penistone Grammar School

## Never Stop Flying

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Dear Parent / Carer,

At the start of this new academic year the History department would like to take this opportunity to update you on the schemes of work that are covered at PGS and provide you with an overview of what your child will be studying throughout the course of the year. We have also provided a list of possible media clips and sections of film footage that may be shown within the school day to support the students' learning, highlighted in **bold**. These have been selected with a great deal of thought and we feel that they are appropriate within the context of our teaching. However, should you have any concerns or questions please do not hesitate to contact the school. Within the next couple of weeks students will also receive log in details and passwords for a new home learning platform called Educake. Students will be set short home learning quizzes to complete as part of the home learning policy for the department. More information regarding Educake can be found at the end of this letter.

Year 7

- Migration – **age-appropriate clips about the impact of the Romans, sketches from Horrible Histories and a documentary explaining why William of Normandy won the Battle of Hastings – Battlefield Britain, Back in Time to Brixton (Windrush episode) and selected age-appropriate clips on the Battle of Cable Street and the Miners Strike.**
- Empire - selected clips from the film **Gandhi**.
- Trade and Industry – **Worst Jobs in History with Tony Robinson.**

Year 8

- Power - **Elizabeth, documentary on Henry VIII, Cromwell, 24 hours in the past, The Suffragette, episodes from the Bloody Britain series.**
- Protest - **BBC Filthy Cities, Worst Jobs in History with Tony Robinson.**

Year 9

- Conflict in the Twentieth Century – **My Boy Jack, Wargame, All Quiet on the Western Front, Days that Shook the World – Assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand, Operation Ouch – WW1 special, Testament of Youth, Goodnight Mister Tom, Pearl Harbour, Schools Edition of Schindler's List, The Book Thief, BBC documentary on Hiroshima.**

Thank you in advance for your anticipated support.

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs. Dobson (Curriculum Area Leader for History)



Dear Parent/Carer,

Your child will soon be given a username and password for something called Educake. Educake is an online homework and revision system for secondary schools. Students can use it on a PC, tablet or smartphone by going to [www.educake.co.uk](http://www.educake.co.uk).

Teachers might set quizzes for homework or classwork in Educake. Quizzes can be retaken as many times as students want to improve their score. Every question is auto-marked, and students get instant feedback.

Educake makes revision easy and effective. Students can set themselves quizzes for more practice. They can see how they are doing on every topic and can identify areas to revise based on their progress.

If they're not sure where to start, the revision wizard shows them which topics they need to work on and creates personalised quizzes.

The next page of this letter will show you how Educake works. If you have any questions, you can always talk to your child's teacher about Educake, or you can email us at [support@educake.co.uk](mailto:support@educake.co.uk).

Yours sincerely,

Anna Wallis  
Product Director  
Educake

P.S Here's a 2-minute video that gives parents and carers a quick overview of Educake.

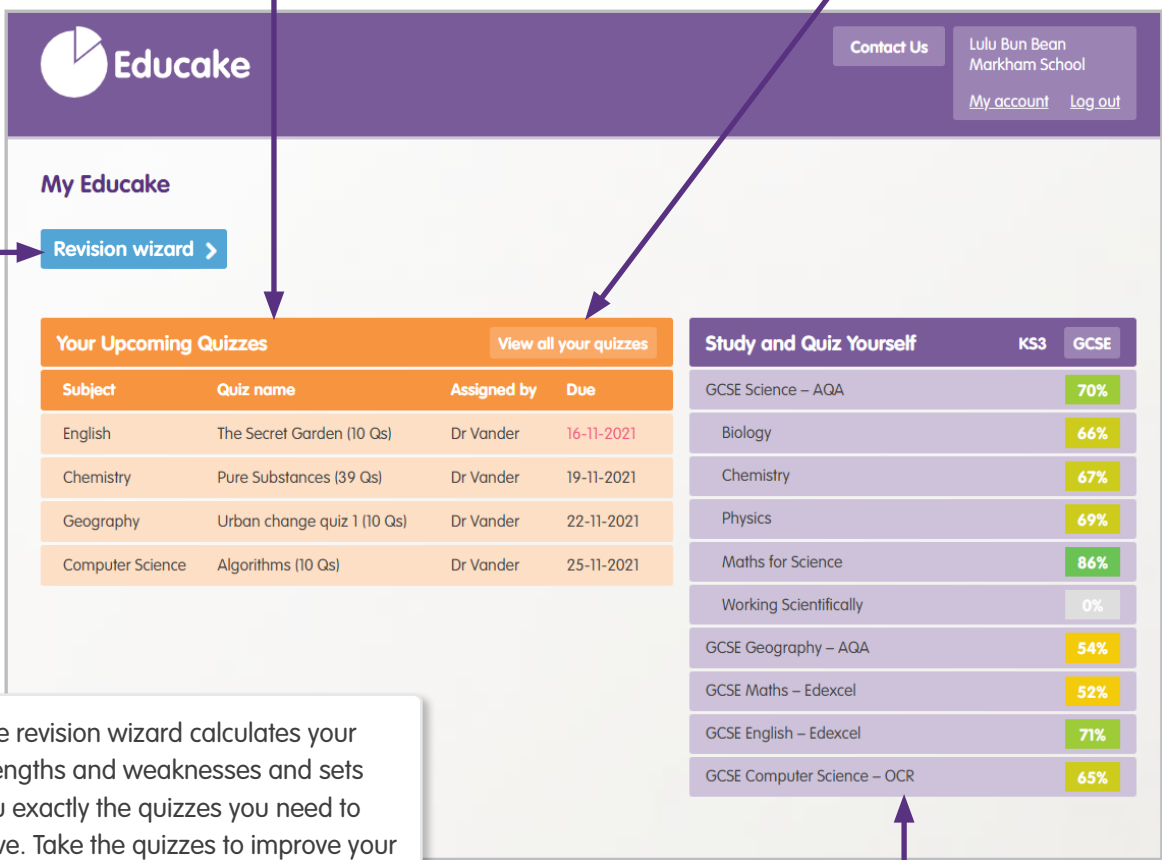


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When you use Educake as a student, you see this page first:

When your teacher has set you a quiz, it'll be here. Click on it to take it. Your progress is always saved, so you can return to it later.

Find all of your quizzes in one place. Click on one to go over your results and see if your teachers have left you any feedback.



**My Educake**

[Revision wizard >](#)

**Your Upcoming Quizzes** [View all your quizzes](#)

Subject	Quiz name	Assigned by	Due
English	The Secret Garden (10 Qs)	Dr Vander	16-11-2021
Chemistry	Pure Substances (39 Qs)	Dr Vander	19-11-2021
Geography	Urban change quiz 1 (10 Qs)	Dr Vander	22-11-2021
Computer Science	Algorithms (10 Qs)	Dr Vander	25-11-2021

**Study and Quiz Yourself** **KS3** **GCSE**

GCSE Science – AQA	70%
Biology	66%
Chemistry	67%
Physics	69%
Maths for Science	86%
Working Scientifically	0%
GCSE Geography – AQA	54%
GCSE Maths – Edexcel	52%
GCSE English – Edexcel	71%
GCSE Computer Science – OCR	65%

The revision wizard calculates your strengths and weaknesses and sets you exactly the quizzes you need to improve. Take the quizzes to improve your knowledge and understanding.

View your progress by clicking on any subject to see a breakdown of your topics.

To set yourself an Educake quiz, choose the topics and how many questions you want.