

REVISION TIPS

“BEFORE ANYTHING ELSE, PREPARATION IS THE KEY TO SUCCESS”

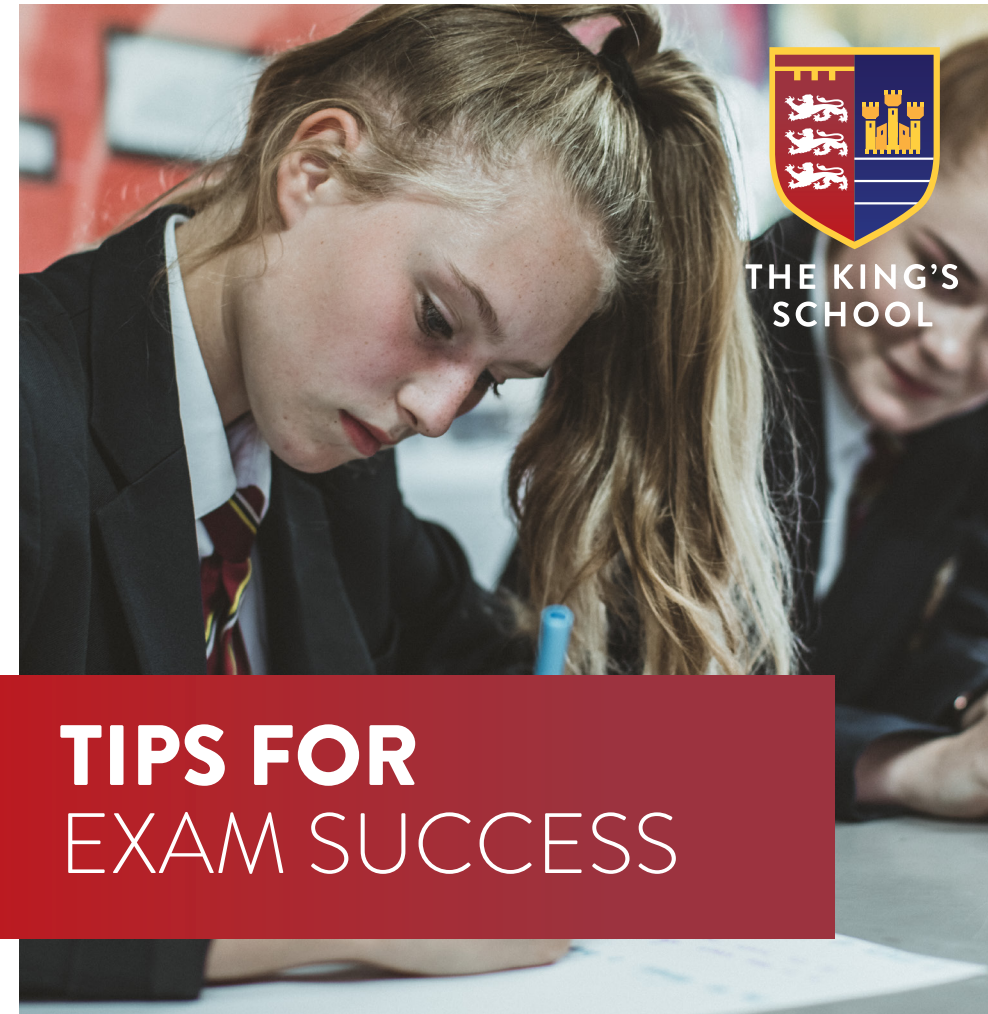
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- Think about how much revision you did for previous exams and make changes where needed.
- It is easier said than done, BUT do not put yourself under too much pressure. You will not learn. Try to have fun, you will find things easier to remember this way.
- Approach a subject from lots of different angles. Software, games, activities, books, flash cards and practical applications all help.
- Use past papers and talk through the answers with friends.
- Speak to your teachers and see how they believe you can improve.
- Set achievable targets for yourself, do not try to do too much, you will end up disappointed.
- Give yourself rewards and regular breaks.
- Do not just read notes, make sure that you understand it.
- Highlight key points in your revision - use colour coding.
- Focus your revision on areas of weakness. There is no point revising the areas you find easy.
- Make revision cards by condensing notes into key headings on cards, use colour or pictures to help memorise topics. Pin them up in your room or carry them around with you.
- Do not leave your revision until the last minute, you will not cram 3 years work into 2 hours.
- Revise at set times, find out what suits you best.
- Avoid revising after 10pm, you are not at your best at this time!
- Do short bursts of revision on a variety of subjects, do not do one subject per day.

EXAM TIPS

- Get up on time.
- Eat a good breakfast.
- Get any equipment ready the night before e.g. scientific calculator, black pen.
- Read instructions carefully, make sure you know which questions to answer.
- Read each question fully and very carefully underlining any key words.
- Divide your time between the questions according to the number of marks.
- The number of marks after a question on the exam paper gives you an idea of how much time to spend on each question.
- Plan your work for essays, make a plan using key words, planning lets you answer the question that has been set and gives you confidence.
- If you are running out of time, answer in note form.
- Check your answers when you have finished.
- Be aware that getting stuck is not a problem, move on and if you have time come back to the hard questions at the end.
- Believe in yourself, if you can't do a question the first time, try again, "you can do it!"

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