



TREFOIL TUTORS

Welcome



Dear Parents,

September is coming to an end, and we are thrilled to see our pupils having a great start to the new school year! We know this is a very busy time for parents and pupils alike, and hope your return to school has run smoothly.

Of course, going back to school is not just about new books, sharp pencils and freshly ironed shirts. To help your child get back into the right mindset for school, we have prepared a short

checklist for a successful start to the year. We hope you find it useful!

1. Recap what you learnt last year.

Before embarking on a new learning experience, you might find it useful to flick over your old notebooks and remind yourself what you studied last year. This will enable you to successfully build on existing knowledge in your first weeks back at school.

2. Identify your aims for this year.

What do you want to achieve this year? Be it an improved grade, a spotless homework submission record or more extra-curricular involvement, identifying your aims for the year will help you find that extra motivation when the chips are down.

3. Explore further!

This year, be an inquisitive learner. If you come across a topic that grabs your attention, explore it outside the classroom: watch a film about it, read more online, or ask your tutor to help you find out more about the field that has sparked your interest.

4. Stay organised.

Making sure you take notes in lessons, as well as keeping them neat and ordered from Day 1 is an incredibly useful habit. When it comes to your end of year revision, being able to find your notes and worksheets in the right place will save you a lot of time!

While pupils fill their pencilcases and pack their backpacks, we have also been preparing for September - this month, we welcomed three new tutors to our team in order to make sure we can offer our students all the extra support you may need. Tom, Ria and Danielle are tutors with an excellent academic record, experience of working with children and a passion for quality teaching.

If you are still looking for a tutor to support your child's learning in the new academic year, do give us a call on 0203 565 0539 or email us at office@trefoiltutors.co.uk - we'd be happy to speak to you about how we can help.

With all best wishes,

Milda Sabunaite
Tutor Coordinator



Education and Resources

Susan Cain on the Power of Introverts



In a society which praises the chatty and the sociable, children who are not as outward-focused may not always find it easy. This month, we'd like to share with you one of our favourite TED Talks by Susan Cain, in which she highlights the reasons why we should appreciate the introverted personalities just as much as we do the extroverts, rather than try to change them outright. Watch the TED Talk here: https://www.ted.com/talks/susan_cain_the_power_of_introverts?language=en

Useful Learning Materials on Our Social Media Pages



We would like to encourage you to follow us on Facebook and on Twitter (@TrefoilTutors). There, we are posting weekly puzzles, educational links and videos, as well as a number of other posts to help you and your child throughout the year. Here is a selection of mathematics questions recently published on our Facebook page. You can find the answers by visiting www.facebook.com/trefoil_tutors.

Mathematics Questions - Set Five

11+ Question (Year 5 and 6)

Ash, Pikachu, Bulbasaur, Charmander and Squirtle all go to the cinema. They book five seats in a row. How many different ways can they sit if Ash wants to sit next to Pikachu?



Key Stage 3 Question (Year 7 and 8)

The bearing of a lighthouse from a ship is 320° . What is the bearing of the ship from the lighthouse?

GCSE Question (Year 9, 10 and 11)

Five parcels weigh an average of 4.6 kg. One parcel is taken out and the average of the four remaining parcels is 4.2 kg. What was the weight of the parcel that was taken out?



Trefoil News



GCSE and A-level results are in

Results day was as exciting for us as it was for our students! With a strong set of A* and A grades this year, we were thrilled to hear an overwhelming majority of our pupils met or exceeded their targets. Congratulations and all the best of luck going forward!



Trefoil Tutors featured in the Good Schools Guide

This August, Trefoil Tutors have been featured in the Good Schools Guide as a tutoring agency recommended by the publication. The review was written after detailed interviews with tutors and parents. We would like to thank all those who spared their time to share their experiences of working with Trefoil Tutors with the GSG!



New English and History Tutor joins our team

We are delighted to welcome Ria, our new English and History tutor, who has joined the Trefoil team this month. Having graduated from the University of Warwick, Ria is tutoring pupils from Y4 to A-level, as well as writing a novel. Please visit our website to read Ria's tutor profile and call us to book in lessons!



Professional Development Seminar for our tutors

This week, our tutors Tom, Will, Ria, Arjun, Danielle attended a Professional Development Seminar on Lesson Planning led by Vivek Gathani. Tutors had the opportunity to learn about pedagogical theory as well as ways to use it in a one-to-one setting as a tutor. The monthly Seminars are a part of the professional development programme at Trefoil.

Your Announcements



Kickstarter Campaign: Support for a young director

Saul is a 15-year-old film director and writer who is currently raising funds for his first feature-length film "Retribution" - set inside a British secondary school, it portrays tensions between two brothers as exams loom. More information can be found on their Kickstarter campaign page: <https://www.kickstarter.com/projects/1215367587/retribution-0>

