

Townley Grammar TEACHING AND LEARNING TOOLKIT

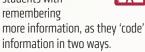
Retrieval **Practice**

Opportunities



Dual Coding

Visual and verbal explanations are provided to aid students with remembering



Differentiation

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foundation. Differentiation will address differences in ability and learning styles setting the foundation for success for every student. Teachers will not rely solely on differentiation by outcome.

Interleaving

Students are taught to recognise the underlying features of a problem or a concept and broaden their understanding, involving the switching between topics and linking of ideas to

improve long-term learning.



Low Stakes Testing

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Curriculum

The curriculum offer is ambitious. broad and

balanced, designed so it is inclusive for all students. KS3 is a 3 year course that follows the national curriculum. Curriculum pathways are sequenced to ensure students continually build on skills and knowledge.

Interest Led Learning

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Literacy for 21st Century Learners

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literacy strand: reading, writing,

speaking and listening.

Modelling

Modelling by the teacher reveals the thought processes of an expert learner to

develop students' metacognitive skills. All new material is presented in steps with the teacher modelling what success looks like so that students can see how to make progress.

Inclusion

Inclusion is evidenced through appropriate monitoring and record-keeping. Communication is effective for all stakeholders and wide-ranging in-class support strategies are implemented for all students to ensure that, irrespective of their starting position, the barrier to learning and the rate of progress, active engagement with the curriculum content is possible. Teaching practices reflect an understanding of the needs of all students.

Scaffolding

Scaffolded tasks. like worked examples, allow students to develop their



Reviewing Material

Lessons begin with a short review, strengthening previous learning and leading to fluent recall. Opportunities are provided for students to engage in regular reviews in order to develop well-connected and automatic knowledge.

Spaced practice develops wellconnected knowledge with students able to recall ideas and concepts over time, making connections and recognising links between taught material.

Q and A, Oracy and Disciplined **Dialogue**



Questioning is probing and encourages students to deepen their thinking. Skilled questioning leads to a significant shift in conceptual understanding, retrieval from long-term memory and ensures misconceptions are addressed.

Students regularly engage in rich and penetrating conversations with interconnected knowledge and subject fluency.

Students are taught to listen sensitively to the opinions of others and to be respectful when challenging ideas.

Feedback

Feedback is regular and provides information about the individual's performance relative to learning goals or

outcomes. Effective feedback tends to focus on the task, subject and selfregulation strategies: it provides specific information on how to improve. Feedback should be varied and not be limited exclusively to written marking. Feedback should comment on misconceptions, errors and strengths in equal measure.

Technology

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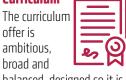
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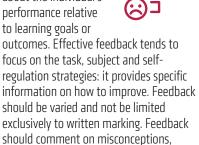
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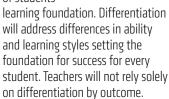
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