



Year 9 & 10 Academic Review Evening – Thursday 10th May 2018

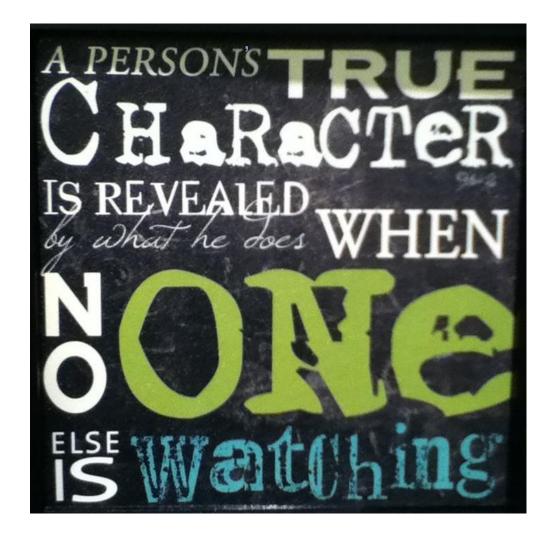




Flourishing Students

It's all about character





The Building Blocks of Character

Intellectual Virtues

Character traits
necessary for
discernment,
right action and
the pursuit of
knowledge, truth
and understanding.

Examples:

autonomy; critical thinking; curiosity; judgement; reasoning; reflection; resourcefulness.

Moral Virtues

Character traits that enable us to act well in situations that require an ethical response.

Examples:

compassion; courage; gratitude; honesty; humility; integrity; justice; respect.

Civic Virtues

Character traits that are necessary for engaged responsible citizenship, contributing to the common good.

Examples:

citizenship; civility; community awareness; neighbourliness; service; volunteering.

Performance Virtues

Character traits that have an instrumental value in enabling the intellectual, moral and civic virtues.

Examples:

confidence; determination; motivation; perseverance; resilience; teamwork. Virtues can be...

...Caught

...Taught

...Sought

Practical Wisdom is the integrative virtue, developed through experience and critical reflection, which enables us to perceive, know, desire and act with good sense. This includes discerning, deliberative action in situations where virtues collide.

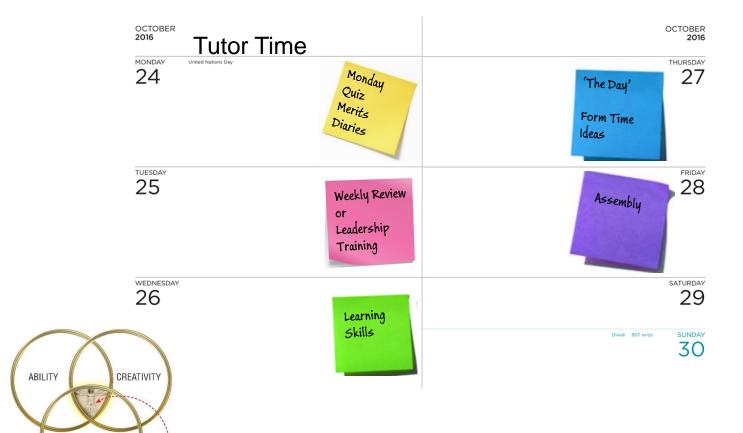
Flourishing individuals and society

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COMMITMENT

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STUDENT





Vision

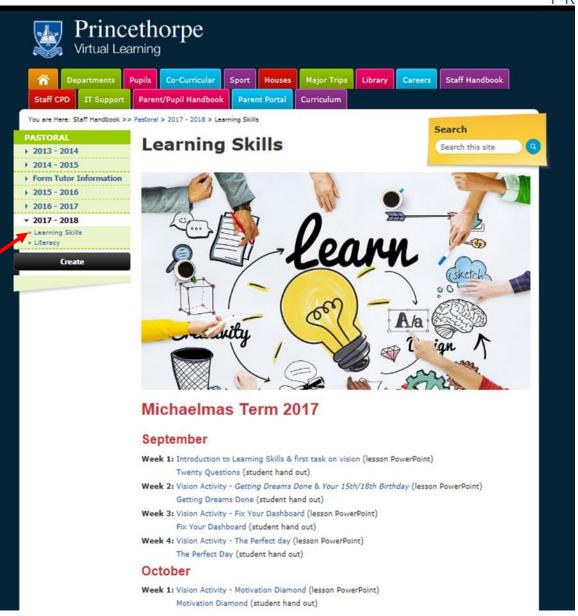
- To raise awareness about the impact a quality/characteristic can have on potential success.
- To encourage some personal reflection on the presence or absence of that quality in each student.
- To engage students in tasks which develop their practice reflection, discussion, coaching conversation or experiment.



Character traits we will aim to strengthen:

- Perseverance, resilience & grit
- Confidence & optimism
- Motivation, drive & ambition
- Tolerance and respect
- Honesty, integrity & dignity
- Conscientiousness, curiosity & focus

We want our students to be self-starters and self-helpers





The GCSE Mindset

40 activities for transforming student commitment, motivation and productivity

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Avatars



Figure 1.1b. The VESPA umbrella



The GCSE

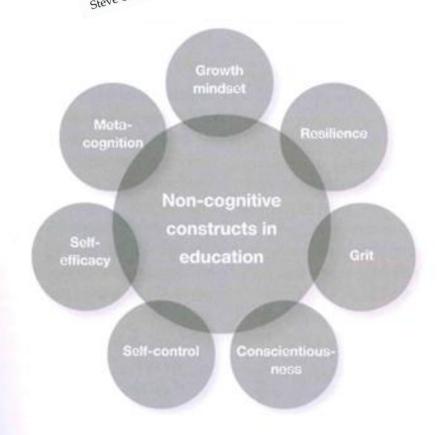
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commitment, commitment, and motivation and motivation and motivation productivity

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EFFORT VISION

SYSTEMS PRACTICE ATTITUDE

- collage of pictures
- clear goal setting
- actionable plans
- goal-directed action
- articulating dreams
- success requires effort effort is measured in
- hours per week homework, research, wider reading, consolidation of previous learning,
- for tests reactive independent study (completing tasks set by teachers)

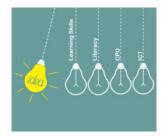
revision, preparation

- proactive independent study (work students set themselves).
- understanding that effort is habit.

- organisation = grades
- guidance on concentration, learning styles, memory, reading skills, revision, exam technique, reading speed and essay writing
- note-taking
- time to reflect, to think and get organised

- practice is distinct from effort
- not the how much of study but the how
- practice doesn't make perfect
- perfect practice makes perfect.
- reviewing, consolidating, & checking understanding
- seek out feedback.

- the presence or absence of a growth mindset,
- buoyancy and positivity
- response to challenge or difficulty
- resilience/grit
- questionnaires to measure aspects of attitude
- Peer coaching
- GROW model: goal (G); current reality (R); obstacles (O); ways forward (W)



REPORTS

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PERSONAL STATEMENT

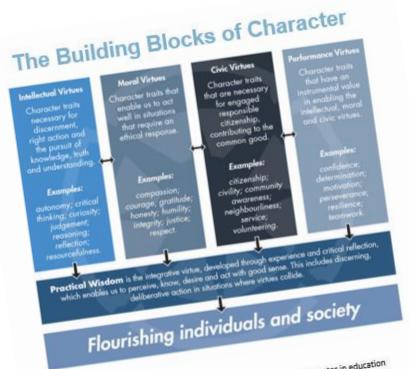
This section of the folder will house copies of reports so students can monitor their own progress and use the data to reflect on their goals, effort levels, systems, practice and attitude.

The Record of
Achievement is a
central place for
students to keep
a note of all their
achievements (i.e.
music certificates,
LAMDA, sporting
achievements,
Latin, Project
Qualifications,
newspaper
cuttings etc.

Students will draft personal statements at the end of each academic year, informed by all the data filed in this folder. From Year 7 to Year 11, the process of writing a personal statement should get more familiar and the writing itself more refined, in time for UCAS applications in the Sixth Form.

All resources delivered during tutor time on Tuesdays will be housed here so students can return to them for revision purposes.





I recommend you watch this Ted Talk about the importance of character in education

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qb1-F_Ud54c

