



Knowledge Organisers

A Guide for Parents



EVERY CHILD CAN ACHIEVE

At Luddenham, we will be using knowledge organisers to support learning.

A knowledge organiser is used by class teachers for termly units of work that require key knowledge to be acquired by the end of the unit. (Sometimes, not all subjects will have one)

This knowledge will help children to grasp key concepts and understanding within the unit. It is NOT all that will be taught but will support the further learning within the unit.

Regularly within lessons, it will be referred to and discussed. Repetition and retrieval can aid information being committed to the long-term memory.

Memory is a funny thing. If we do not recall what is in there often enough, it can be lost.

Top Tips on how to use them

The key is little and often. Make it fun. Keep the stakes low. No marking. No score. Just correct the mistakes and talk it through.

Try some of the following (non-exhaustive list):

➤ **Ask 3 or 4 questions** (not too many)

○ These could be:



- Short answer responses
- Longer more explanation/ description based
- True or false
- Multiple choice



➤ **Brain dump** – what can you recall about...



➤ **Discuss** – What can they tell you about...? Can they teach you?

➤ **Recitation of definitions or facts**



Most of all, keep it POSITIVE. That way they will want to revisit again and again; this will help the knowledge to stick.