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Re: Year 5 Century Tech Launch

Dear parents/carers,

As part of the school's long-term recovery plan for all our pupils, we invested in the exciting new digital platform Century Tech after the pandemic. Century Tech uses AI (artificial intelligence) to diagnose learning gaps and personalise learning for all pupils.

Having given the year 5 pupils chance to settle into middle school life, we have now launched the use of this program in the core subjects English, Maths and Science. All pupils have been shown how to use the program by their teachers. The program will be used to consolidate previous learning directed by teachers as well as the pupils following their individual pathway by completing 'nuggets'. Please note, that at times the pupils may be working on the pathway linked to the previous year group (e.g. year 5 working on the year 4 pathway), this is intentional for consolidation and parents should not worry about this. Century Tech will also be set for homework, but not every week. The pupils are welcome to continue to work through their personalised pathway as much as they want. Homework club is available every day for any pupils struggling to access Century Tech at home.

Pupils will be able to access Century Tech at anytime and anywhere, pupils will need to visit https://app.century.tech/login/ and enter their unique login details, which they will get from their teachers. The platform can be accessed from tablets and laptops on up-to-date versions of most common browsers. The company are currently making the program more accessible through mobile phones; however pupils may find this difficult due to the size of the screen.

As a school, we will reward pupils for their engagement and independent learning when using the program. As parents/carers, please support and encourage your child(ren) to use the platform thoroughly and as much as possible to help their learning recovery and increase their confidence. As parents/carers, you will be able to track the progress of your child through the program and talk to them about their learning. The pupils can also track their own progress. Please can I ask parents/carers not to help their child at home when they are asked to complete diagnostics, as these are used to create the correct pathway for your child. If they are given help the AI will generate a pathway that is too hard for your child.

















As a school we establish and maintain an environment where children feel secure, are listened to and encouraged to talk.

If you require further information:

- A parent and pupil guide are available https://www.century.tech/launch-pack/
- An introductory video is available. (The first 2½ minutes are relevant to parents) CENTURY - for Primary Schools - YouTube
- Visit Century Tech's website www.century.tech
- Email Century Tech at support@century.tech

Thank you in advance for your support with this venture,

Mrs R. Cox

Deputy Headteacher

