



Welcome

How have the first few weeks at Farmor's School been for your child?



Working together

John Hattie's 2008 study, *Visible Learning: A Synthesis of Over 800 Meta-Analyses Relating to Achievement* found that “the effect of parental engagement over a student's school career is equivalent to adding two or three years to that student's education”.



What do you want your child to get out of school?

Qualifications

Friends

Memories

To grow up to be decent adults

Skills for life

To be happy

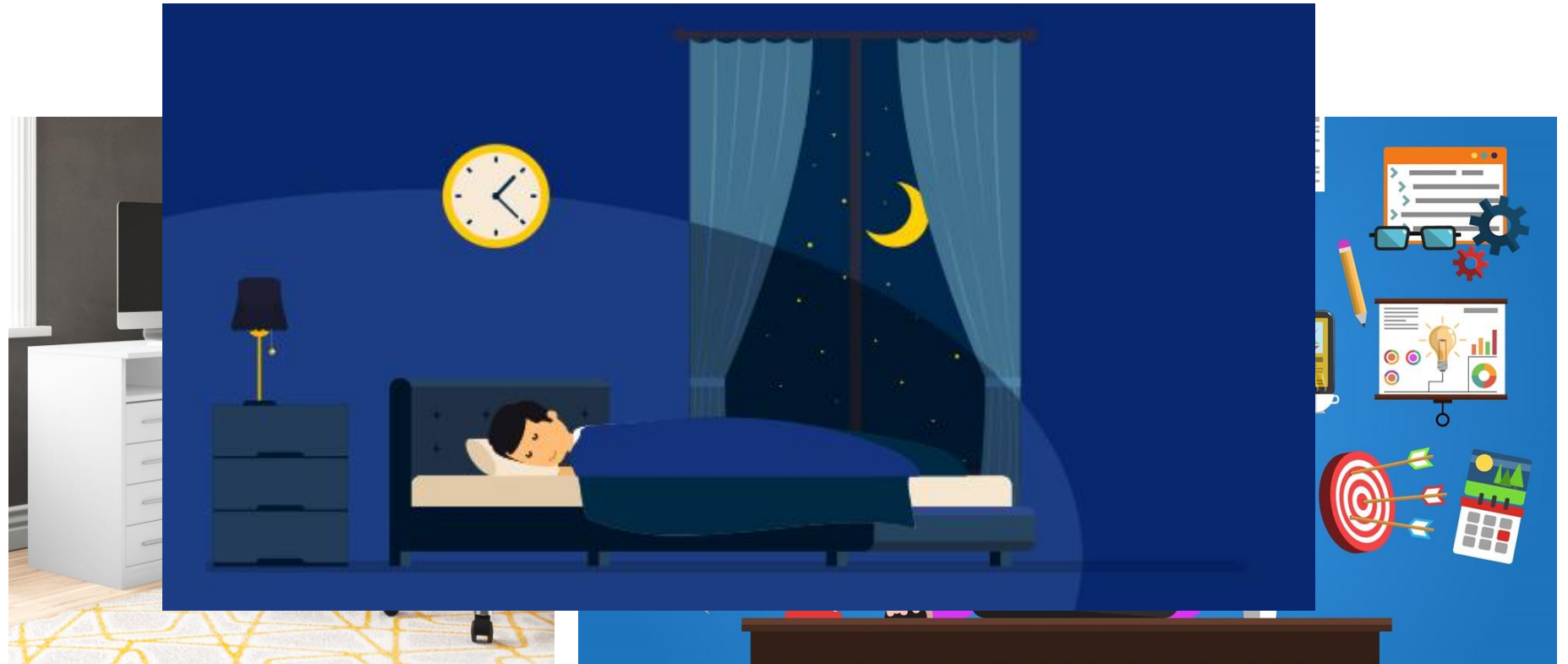
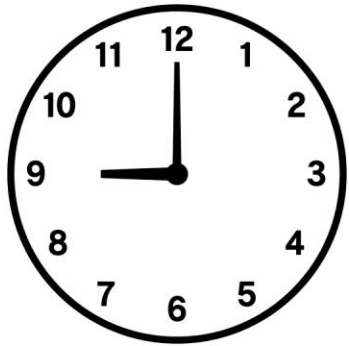
Ready for the next stage

To know loads of interesting things

To want to continue learning

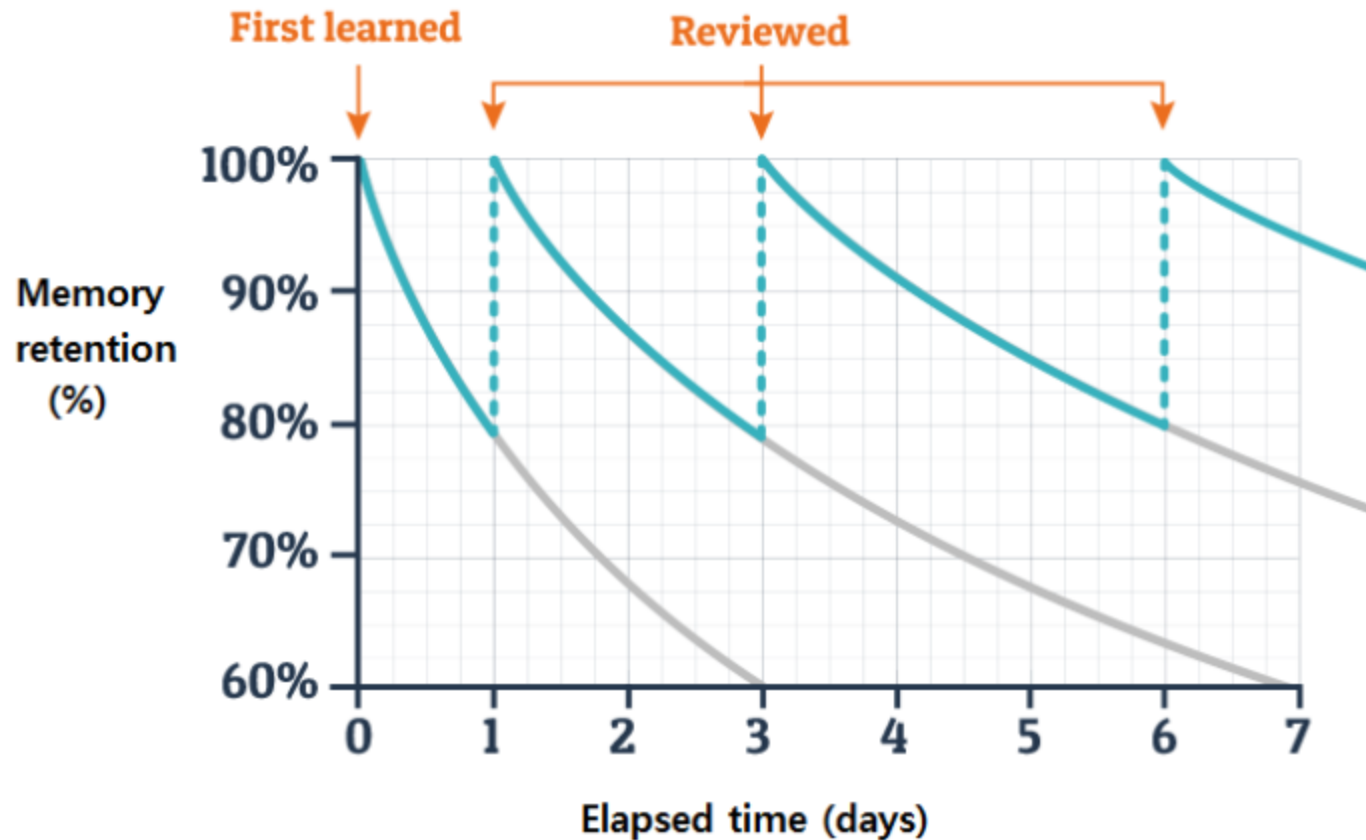


Routines and study habits





Ebbinghaus' forgetting curve





Retrieval Practice



Thank you for listening to your 'teacher'. Please can you briefly write down how well your 'teacher' was able to talk about the geography they have learnt so far at Farmor's School.

spoke to us in depth about everything she has learnt so far. When we asked questions, she was able to rephrase her answer to make it easier to understand. She was descriptive & used pictures to differentiate her lesson. We especially liked her description of what "Geography is..." Dad liked learning about the differences between Oceans & Seas, whilst Mum enjoyed learning about the limitations of atlases.



Pomodoro Technique



THE POMODORO TECHNIQUE[®]

A SIMPLE METHOD TO BALANCE FOCUS WITH DELIBERATE BREAKS



1 PLAN YOUR TASKS
How many pomodoros might you need?

2 DO 1 POMODORO
Time for 25 mins then take a 5 min break

NO SNEAKY
WORKING!

PROTECT
YOUR POMODORO!



3 REPEAT X 4 POMODOROS
Then take a longer break





That is all very well, but...



Practical points



Websites you may find useful

Learning Scientists are cognitive scientists who have a really good website with downloadable materials on retrieval practice and other study techniques to improve learning.

<https://www.learningscientists.org/>

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<https://todoist.com/productivity-methods/pomodoro-technique>

Inner Drive have a useful section for parents on how to support your child at home with their learning. They have some great downloadable posters.

<https://www.innerdrive.co.uk/>

Seneca is a free revision website which covers all school subjects. There are sections for students and parents.

<https://senecalearning.com/en-GB/>