

The Sir John Colfox Academy



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Dear Parents

RE: Kerboodle Resources

We are going to be introducing Year 7 and re-introducing Year 8-10 students to Kerboodle our online resource for science, over the next few weeks. We thought we would take this opportunity to remind you of the benefits this provides for your child both as help for their homework and as revision support.

What is Kerboodle?

Kerboodle is an online teaching and learning platform (www.kerboodle.com), it provides students with access to good quality presentations, worksheets, support materials, auto-marked assessments, and self-assessment checklists as well as, most importantly, access to the textbooks they use in school.

How do students access Kerboodle?

To access Kerboodle your child will need their login details provided by their science teacher. Their login details will consist of a username, password, and an institution code. By default, their password will be the same as their username. This has been simplified to their initial and surname to get them all started. Students need to change this when they first log in. **E.g., Jo Bloggs would have a username of jbloggs and a password of jbloggs. The school ID code is gku4**

What are the benefits to our students?

- All science homework is set with Activate or GCSE textbook pages indicated.
- As Kerboodle provides online access to your child's in-school textbooks they should be able to quickly and easily complete homework tasks.
- They also have round the clock access to this textbook and can annotate this or highlight text on their book using the onscreen tools. It also gives them example worked questions, worksheets, interactive tools, podcasts videos and lots more.
- They can use this as a way of revisiting any units they know they have highlighted as weak during their classwork.
- It is particularly useful if your child is unwell; they can read about the work they will have missed in science and make notes using the textbook.

We would appreciate your support in encouraging your son or daughter to login to Kerboodle and explore the resources available to them. Please see the link to our website <https://www.colfox.org/independent-learning-resources/> which has additional support to assist you. If you should have any queries in this regard or have any queries about the best way you can support your child in science, then please do not hesitate to contact me

Yours sincerely

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