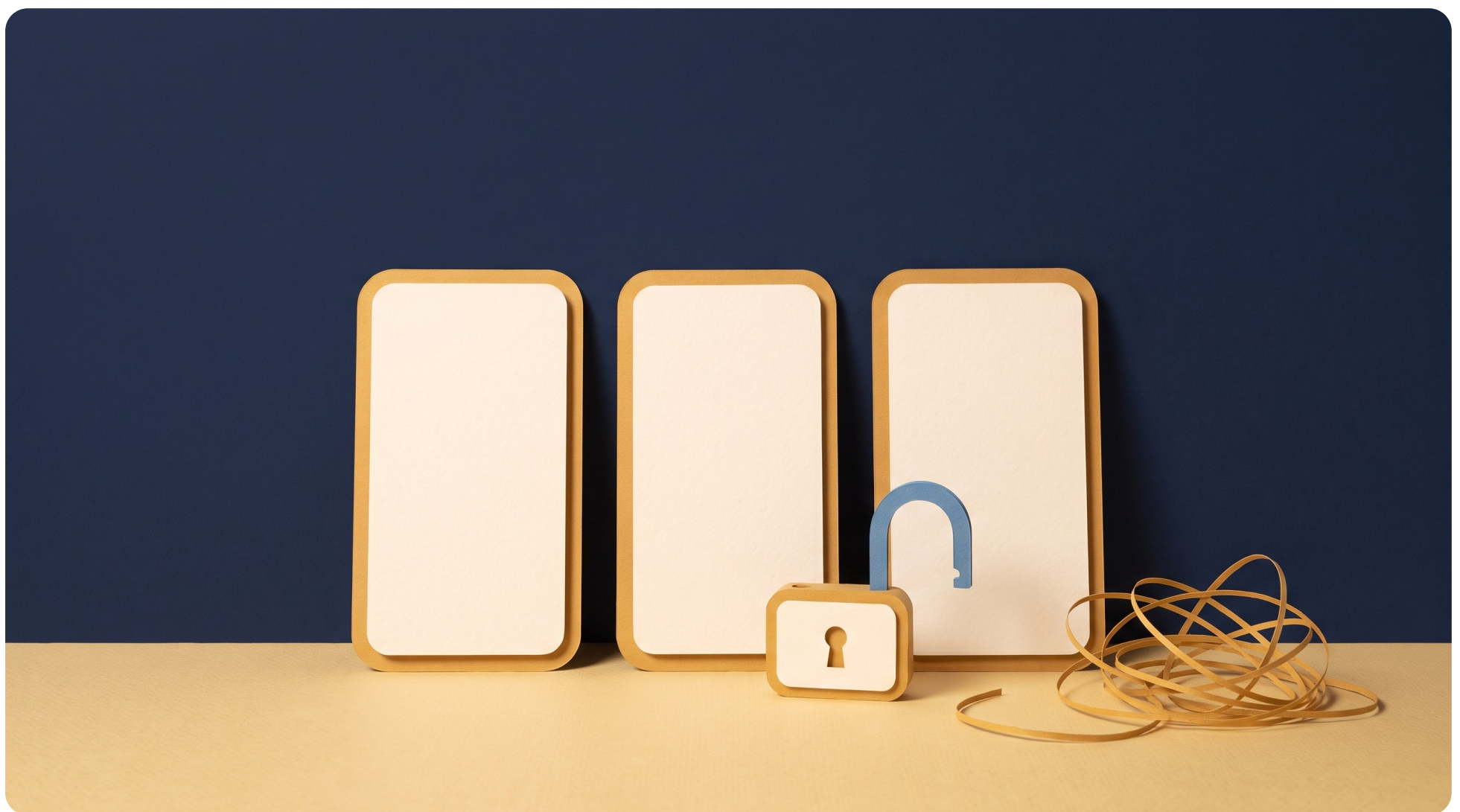


Three words beat three symbols

A password you can remember is a password you will not write on a sticky note. Three random words, put together, is the advice the NCSC gives and it is genuinely stronger than P@ssw0rd1.



- 1 Pick three unrelated words**
“otter-kettle-mango”. Not your school, not your subject, not your dog.
- 2 Longer beats complicated**
Length is what defeats a guessing machine. Symbols mostly defeat you.
- 3 Never the same one twice**
One reused password turns one breach somewhere else into a breach here.
- 4 Let the browser remember it**
A password manager or your browser's built-in one. That is not cheating.

You will not be asked to change it every term.

Forced monthly changes make people pick weaker passwords and add a “1” to the end. Current NCSC advice is to change a password when there is a reason to, not on a timer. If you think yours is known, change it today and tell whoever runs your IT.