



THE GRANGE SCHOOL

Mr V Murray – Headteacher

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Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Sparx Maths for Year 7

We are excited to inform you that from this week, your child will be using Sparx Maths to complete their weekly Maths homework. Sparx provides a highly personalised weekly homework to students, tailored to their attainment level and working speed.

Your child's homework will be set on Wednesdays at 3.00pm and due on Wednesdays at 8.00am every week.

We know you want to support your child's Maths progress, so we are sending this letter to explain how Sparx works and how you can help your child to complete their homework each week.

What is Sparx Maths Homework?

- Sparx provides personalised homework to each child, with questions that are challenging yet achievable, and tailored to their learning needs.
- The majority of each week's homework will be based on recently learnt topics, but it will also include some questions from previous topics to help reinforce their learning.
- Students access their homework on their online Sparx account, where they will get immediate feedback for each question about whether their answer was correct, or they need to have another try.
- Every question in Sparx has a support video attached so that your child can get help independently.

How can you help your child with their homework?

- Provide a quiet space for your child to focus on their homework each week.
- Encourage them to start their homework early, so they can get help from their teacher before the deadline if they get stuck. To ensure no gaps form in your child's Maths knowledge, homework is not marked as complete until **all** of the compulsory questions have been answered correctly.
- Try not to help your child with a question until they have had a go first. It is essential they try to complete their homework independently so that Sparx can give them questions that are at the right level for them. Remember they can watch the support videos if they need to.

Our expectation is that every student aims for 100% each week. We believe this is achievable as Sparx personalises homework to an individual's level and provides immediate support in the form of short, question-specific videos.

We hope you agree that Sparx will play an exciting and important role in growing your child's understanding, success and confidence in Maths.

If you have any questions, please contact your child's Maths teacher.

Yours faithfully

The Maths Department

