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Dear Parent and Carers

Sparx Maths

We are writing to inform you that your child will continue 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.

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 complete their homework each week.

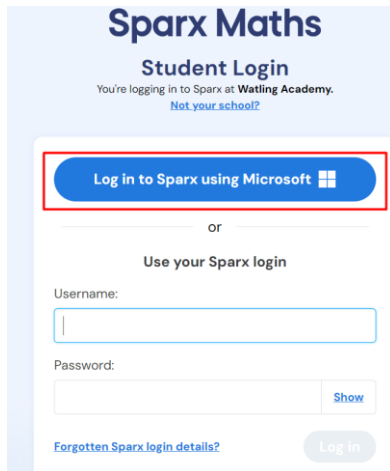
What is Sparx Maths Homework?

- Sparx provides personalized homework to each child, with questions that are challenging yet achievable, and tailored to their learning needs.
- Most of the 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'll get immediate feedback for each question about whether their answer was correct, or they need to have another try.
- While homework is accessed online, it is predominantly a written homework, and students should record their work in a workbook. Sparx has a "bookwork check" system to help students form this habit.
- Every question in Sparx has a support video attached to that your child can get help independently.

How can we log into Sparx Maths?

- Visit <https://www.sparxmaths.uk/>
- Click on the 'Log in to Sparx using Microsoft.'

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- Students can use their school login details to log into Sparx maths. (If your student has forgotten this information please encourage them to speak to their computing teacher.)

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** the compulsory questions have been answered correctly.
- Check the weekly email you'll get from Sparx and praise your child for starting or completing their homework. Encourage them to finish it before the deadline if they haven't already done so.
- Try not to help your child with a question until they've 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.

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 Mrs Wall, Head of Mathematics or Mrs Harper, Assistant Head of Mathematics.

Kind regards,

The Maths Department