



Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to inform you of an important update to our **Year 7 homework strategy**, which will take effect this term. When carefully planned and consistently completed, homework strengthens learning from the classroom and develops the independent study habits that are crucial for future success.

Following a review of our current provision, we have introduced a more focused and purposeful approach for Year 7. From this term, students will receive **one homework per week in Maths and English**. This ensures clarity, consistency and strong foundations in the core subjects.

In **Maths**, homework will be set **weekly on Sparx Maths**. In **English**, students will work towards a **weekly goal on Tassomai**. These platforms revisit current and prior learning and adapt to students' responses, helping to secure knowledge over time. In **English**, students will also continue to **read regularly** at home. Reading is assigned and assessed during **reading lessons**, and students must bring their signed, up-to-date **reading booklet** to each lesson as proof of completion.

A step-by-step **walkthrough** is available on **Google Classroom** and the [school website](#). During their next Computer Science lesson, students will be shown where to find this and guided through how to access both Sparx and Tassomai. There will also be drop-in sessions available for parents to seek support with both platforms. These sessions will take place on Wednesday 16th September 3:30pm-4:30pm and Tuesday 22nd September 08:45am- 09:45am.

All parents will **receive direct emails from Sparx and Tassomai** with information about when **homework is due** and whether it has been completed or missed. If you are not receiving these emails, please let us know so that we can resolve this promptly. The homework expectations for Maths, English and Science are as follows:

- **Maths**, One weekly task due Tuesday 3:30pm.
- **English**, Four tasks per week, each task runs out at midnight and the week resets every Sunday at midnight. Each task takes about 15min.

All Year 7 students will be spoken to this week so that expectations are clear and consistent.

This approach reflects educational research which shows that consistent and purposeful homework completion can significantly improve students' progress.

Completion will be tracked carefully. Students who **complete homework consistently** or show **significant improvement** will receive **positive recognition** and be entered into a **rewards draw**. Students who are not completing homework will be supported to do so in lunchtime sessions.

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To ensure all students can access and complete their homework, **computers are available in the library at break and lunchtime**. Lunchtime support sessions will also run for students who require additional help, and an **after-school homework club** staffed by **teaching assistants** is available **every day 3:05 - 3:40** in Recharge.

As always, **partnership** between school and home is **vital**. Your support in **encouraging good routines** and **positive attitudes towards** independent study is greatly appreciated.

To help us ensure that all students can complete their homework successfully, we ask that all parents and carers **complete our short Year 7 Homework Support Form**. This will allow us to **identify any potential barriers** and **provide support** where needed. Responses will be reviewed carefully so that we can provide appropriate and targeted assistance where needed.

[Click here to complete the Year 7 Homework Support Form](#)

We will continue to monitor the impact of this strategy carefully.

Thank you for your continued support.

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