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Dear Parent / Carer

Sparx Maths and Science

We are excited to let you know that from Wednesday 1 October, your child will be using Sparx Maths and Sparx Science to complete their weekly homework. Both platforms provide highly personalised homework tasks tailored to each student's attainment level and recent classwork which will support your child in developing deeper understanding, confidence, and independence in both subjects.

Your child's homework for both subjects will be set on Wednesday and due on the following Wednesday every week.

We know that your child's progress in both Maths and Science matters to you, so this letter explains how Sparx works and how you can support them with their homework.

What is Sparx Maths?

Sparx Maths delivers weekly personalised homework that is challenging yet achievable, based on recent learning as well as some revision of prior topics. Students complete their homework online and receive immediate feedback. Each question comes with a support video to help them work independently.

While the homework is completed online, there are some questions that require students to write down their working out and answers. These are called 'bookwork checks' and are designed to encourage good habits and support deeper learning.

What is Sparx Science?

Sparx Science helps students retain and recall scientific knowledge while encouraging deep thinking. Like Sparx Maths, most homework is based on recent lessons, with some review questions to reinforce earlier topics. The platform provides helpful support to guide students through challenging content or unfamiliar scientific ideas.

Students will be guided through the log-in process during school time over the next week, so please do not ask them to log on at home until their first homework becomes available on Wednesday 1 October. After this date, students can access Sparx Maths and Science at <https://sparxmaths.com/> or <https://sparxscience.com/>. Once on the chosen website, they should type the name of our school when prompted, and then select “**Log in to Sparx using Google**” using their existing school single sign-on credentials. For more information about Sparx, including how it supports your child's learning, please visit: <https://sparxmaths.com/parents/>

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How can you help your child with their homework?

- Provide a quiet space, free from distractions
- Encourage your child to start early, so they have time to seek help before the deadline (which is always Wednesdays).
- Let your child try questions independently before stepping in to help—this ensures Sparx can continue to adapt to their level accurately.
- Check the weekly email you will receive from Sparx. You can use the Parent Portal link in the email to track your child's progress in both Maths and Science (Parental names and email addresses are shared with Sparx solely for this purpose. You have the right to unsubscribe from this service at any time).
- Remind your child that they can use the support videos in Maths or read through guidance in Science when they need help.

What support is available at George Pindar School?

Please see below for ways we support homework at school:

- Homework Club: Monday - Thursday 3:15 - 4pm in the library
- Beacon Homework Club - Tuesday 3.15 - 4.15pm in the Beacon for Year 7s and Year 8s
- Help with Sparx account: Miss A Ward-Gow (Sparx Maths), Mrs H Beveridge (Sparx Science) or Mr L Raisin (general queries)
- There are some FAQs and guidance here: <https://www.gps.hlt.academy/curriculum/sparx-learning>

We hope you agree that Sparx will play an important role in helping your child grow in both Maths and Science. If you have any questions, please contact your child's maths or science teacher or Mr Raisin. We look forward to seeing your child use Sparx to strive for success at George Pindar School.

Yours sincerely



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