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Dear Parent/Guardian,

We're excited to let you know that we've partnered with Sparx to start using their new science homework platform, Sparx Science. From Friday 11th October your child will be using Sparx Science to complete weekly homework. All students in years 7 – 11 will use Sparx Science which follows our curriculum to allow students to develop and consolidate their understanding at both KS3 and GCSE with tasks specific to the course that your child is studying.

Your child's homework will be set on **Friday** and due on the following **Thursday by 9pm** every week.

Sparx Science helps every student to achieve success in science.

How do they log in?

- Students log in at sparxscience.com. They will need to find their school and log in either using Microsoft or their Sparx Maths details.

What devices are supported?

- Your child can access Sparx Science on any device that connects to the internet with a web browser.

How can I support my child with their homework?

- Sparx Science adapts to each student's ability level, so it's important that you **don't** help too much, e.g. by answering questions for them. This can lead to Sparx giving homework that is too long or hard in future.
- We recommend letting students answer each question themselves and you can give help if they are stuck with the support and follow-up questions.
- You can also help to provide a quiet space for your child to focus on their homework each week.

How can I monitor my child's homework?

- You are able to keep track of the homework your child is doing by clicking through the link to the Parent Portal in your Sparx Maths weekly homework email.
- On the Parent Portal, you can choose to view homework progress for any Sparx learning system your child is using.

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

Kind regards,



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