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Dear Parent/Carer

Sparx Maths Weekly Homework

I would like to take this opportunity to share with you the Maths homework strategy in Year 7. Each week students are set one piece of Maths homework that should take between 45-60 minutes to complete. The homework will be set on a Tuesday and must be completed by the following Monday. The homework task will relate to the content covered in class and will help consolidate learning. The programme has been proven to support accelerated progress within Maths. The homework will always be set using an online learning page known as Sparx Maths. This can be accessed through various platforms including tablet and smart phone.

The link to the website can be accessed through clicking on the link <https://sparx.co.uk/>

Students log into the package and complete the task set. There are support videos that can be viewed if a student becomes stuck on a question and if they are unable to work out the answer from this they should email their Maths teacher. The programme tailors the questions to meet the needs of each student and allows all students to be challenged. In addition to the 'core' tasks set students have the option to complete additional tasks known as XP boost tasks. A short video showing Sparx in action can be viewed by clicking on the following link <https://player.vimeo.com/video/468494604>

As a Maths team we recognise the importance of rewarding students who complete their weekly task and therefore in addition to positive behaviour points, students who complete the Sparx task have the opportunity to be entered into a prize draw. Prizes are awarded weekly and termly. This process started during the recent school closure. Students who reach set XP milestones will receive further rewards from Sparx.

As we value the importance of homework and Sparx any student who is unable to complete their weekly Sparx homework will be placed in Maths Catch Up on Monday after school. Parents/Carers will be notified via email of the catch up on the day prior to the session. The purpose of the catch up session is to help support students to complete the outstanding work and prevent them from falling behind their peers.

Students who forget their log in details including passwords should email their Maths teacher who will be able to reset this for them. Should you wish to discuss the content of this letter further or have any questions please email reevem@seahavenacademy.org.uk

Yours sincerely

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