

Dear Parent / Carer,

Year 9 Sparx Science Homework

We are pleased to announce, that after a successful trial period, we are formally launching Sparx Science homework for all of our year 9 students.

Sparx Science has been developed to a similar model to our existing Sparx Maths and Sparx Reader platforms, allowing us to create a consistent approach to setting homework across all of our core subjects. Like Sparx Maths and Reader, Sparx Science is set by teachers to match their curriculum of learning. Over time, the system automatically adjusts the level of challenge or support to match students' individual working level.

Starting from the week commencing Monday 2 December, Sparx Science will be set weekly, from 9am Wednesday, with a deadline of 4pm the following Wednesday. Students will be set 30 minutes of Sparx Science homework to be completed in that time.

In accordance with our homework policy for year 9 classes, Sparx Science will now be set as a compulsory homework task. Any students that have not yet completed their Science homework by Tuesday after school, will be issued with a 30-minute detention to run the following day after school, at which we will support them to complete their Sparx Science work on time. That detention will be removed if the homework is completed by 8am on Wednesday morning. Additional support is available, including a daily homework club at lunchtimes, if students wish to complete their homework within school.

All of our year students have already been introduced to the Sparx Science system, with login details provided. For further information you can access a short demonstration at <u>www.sparxscience.com</u>.

Yours sincerely

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