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Dear Name Parents/Carers

### Key Stage 3 Homework - Changes from January 2025

Over the course of the Autumn term we have been reviewing our approach to homework. We have considered feedback from pupils, parents and teachers and, as a result, have made the decision to move from Tassomai to Sparx across reading, maths and science from January. This change will allow pupils greater flexibility over when they complete their homework as they will not need to log on every day, which will in turn give them some screen-free days. They will also be able to locate all of their homework on the same platform. In all subjects, the focus will be the application of knowledge and in maths and science, the assignments set will link closely to their learning in class.

Homework will continue to be set on a Friday for hand in the following Friday and each piece should take no longer than one hour. Tassomai will still be available for pupils to use for the rest of the academic year but this will no longer be checked in school.

To summarise, the homework requirement at Key Stage 3 will be as follows:

Subject	Task	Time allocated
English: Reading	Sparx Reader (600 points)	1 hour
Maths	Two assignments	1 hour
Science	Two assignments	1 hour

Homework is a compulsory part of our curriculum as it not only consolidates the learning taking place at school but it also encourages pupils to become more independent learners.

To help support your child with homework completion, we offer a homework club after school on a Tuesday from 3.15pm to 4pm in the library. To book a place at homework club, please use ParentMail. All pupils are welcome to join and will have access to a Chromebook.

If you have any queries regarding homework, please contact your child's tutor in the first instance.

Yours sincerely,

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