

Your child's homework will be set on Monday at 9am and due the following Monday by 9am every week.

How to login to Sparx Maths?

- Search for 'Sparx Maths student login' in the **google search engine**
- Click on **Student Login**
- Type **Parkhall Integrated College** into the select your school box
- Then click on **Parkhall Integrated College** and **press continue**
- Now select **New student?** if logging in for the first time and complete the questions asked.
- If the username and password are already known, type them in before clicking **Log in**

We know you want to support your child's maths progress, so we are sending this letter to explain how Sparx works and how you can help your child complete their homework each week.

What is Sparx Maths Homework?

- Sparx provides personalized homework to each child, with questions that are challenging yet achievable, and tailored to their learning needs.
- The majority of each week's homework will be based on recently learnt topics, but it will also include some questions from previous topics to help reinforce their learning.
- Students access their homework on their online Sparx account, where they'll get immediate feedback for each question about whether their answer was correct or they need to have another try.
- While homework is accessed online, it is predominantly a written homework and students should record their work in their workbooks. Sparx has a "bookwork checks" system to help students form this habit.
- Students have a designated area in their classwork book or a dedicated Sparx Maths homework book to this written work in.
- Every question in Sparx has a support video attached to that your child can get help independently.

What support is available at Parkhall Integrated College?

- **SPARX Maths Club** will run **every Thursday from 15:05 to 15:45** in the **Maths ICT room** (the computer room between Maths 3 and Maths 4). This will provide a quiet area for students to complete their homework
- Any student who falls behind on their homework will need to attend the club until they have fully caught up with all homework's due
- The class teachers are available to help with any problems students have. Just ask for help

How can you help your child with their homework?

- Provide a quiet space for your child to focus on their homework each week.
- Encourage them to start their homework early so they can get help from their teacher before the deadline if they get stuck. To ensure no gaps form in your child's maths knowledge, homework is not marked as complete until **all** of the compulsory questions have been answered correctly.
- Check the weekly email you'll get from Sparx and praise your child for starting or completing their homework. Encourage them to finish it before the deadline if they haven't already done so.
- Try not to help your child with a question until they've had a go first. It is essential they try to complete their homework independently so that Sparx can give them questions that are at the right level for them. Remember they can watch the support videos if they need to.