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Dear Parent/Carer

Sparx Science Homework

This year your child will be set science homework on the online Sparx science website. Every Wednesday homework will be set and it will be due the following Wednesday at 9:00am.

Please can you ensure that your child is attempting this homework every week. From next Wednesday (1st October) we expect every student to complete this homework every week and if they cannot complete it they need to speak to their science teachers to explain why.

Completing homework can be a frustrating exercise for students and parents therefore below is some useful advice to help.

Firstly, to access the website (https://sparxscience.com/) the students login using the 'log in to Sparx using Microsoft' button and use their school login details.

Once logged in they will see a series of tasks they need to complete. These tasks will be a range of multiple-choice questions, fill in the blanks and calculations. They must attempt all questions, however, Sparx is different to many homework in that it is tailored to the individual student. How the student responds to the questions will determine the difficulty of future questions. All students over time with get slightly different questions based on their own individual progress. Students should expect to see questions they are unsure of. We encourage students to try a question but if they do not know the answer they can press the 'I don't know' button in the bottom left corner of the screen. This provides a short piece of information for them to read and then they are given a new question based on this information. It is very important they read this information so they can access the future question. If they do this they should find their homework much easier to complete.

On Satchel One in this week's homework task there is an introduction video that the students can watch to understand how Sparx science works.

To help further, during Monday lunchtime, a member of the science team will be in an IT room at school to help students complete their homework or deal with logging in issues. Any student can attend these sessions.

If you have any questions please do contact me.

Yours sincerely

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