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We are extremely proud in the high level of achievement in Maths at WHGS.
Last year we achieved 83% 4+ and 35% 7+

Our aim is to maximise every students understanding no matter what their ability level.

Times are changing and to support students learning, delivered by highly qualified Maths teachers, we need students to use the well investigated offering of on-line support we use to develop independent learning.

One of the greatest resources we have to facilitate this is Sparx online Independent learning platform. Which we use for homework .

[Short
video link](#)



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Recap of What Is Special

- Sparx homework is tailored to your child and should offer them just the right level of challenge, based on the topics that their teacher has set.
- Homework contains 3 elements: Compulsory, XP Boost and Target.
- All questions in the Compulsory section must be answered correctly for the homework to be marked as complete.
- Each task bar will show as green when fully complete. For the homework to be classed as complete, all task bars for that homework need to be fully green. The percentage of homework complete will show on the menu page:
- XP Boost questions are at a similar level to Compulsory, and offer extra practice.
- Target questions are designed to challenge your child. You will receive a link to a video in your parent email each week, to help you offer them support and encouragement with their Target homework. If a student receives too much assistance with their homework, Sparx may think they're able to tackle more difficult questions and their work could get harder. To prevent this, always encourage them to attempt the question first and to watch the support video before getting help.
- You will receive regular emails through the week to tell you if Homework has been completed. The Email goes to first contact in the school system, please check your junk mail box if you are not receiving them.



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How Can You Help?

- Try and set up a quiet work area for your child if possible. If you don't have the space, consider setting aside routine 'quiet times' during the day, when children can concentrate, even if only for short periods of time.
- It is important that students still keep a record of their work when learning at home, they don't have their school homework books. They may still need their teacher's support, and they in turn we always want to see student workings.
- Keep in contact with your child's teacher, if you are concerned, encourage your child to keep in contact with them themselves.



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Please Remember

Homework is set at the beginning of the week and students have 7 days to achieve 100% completion.

The maths department run plenty of support sessions for students who are struggling with any questions. Teachers are all available to help during the week.

This is one of the reasons why we insist on 100% completion on time.

Students who leave their homework to the weekend might not be able to get the help they need, although explanation videos are attached to every question.

We would ask you to ensure they do not leave it to the last minute?

Any student not completing homework on time to 100% will automatically be put in a compulsory support detention where teachers are available and will ensure they can do the work. This detention is identified to us by Sparx so that students know Teachers have no options, it has been the student's decision.



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Working Together we can make a difference.

We are offering all the necessary resources.

The sooner in their school career a student starts committing to the work, the better they will do in
Year 11.

So please support us in Supporting your Child