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Dear Parent/Carer,

Sparx Reader - English Homework

We're pleased to let you know that we now have an exciting new programme to help with reading and literacy. Sparx have launched a reading platform which we are utilising with Year 7, 8 & 9 students called **Sparx Reader** to complete their weekly homework. As with all homework, this will be on Bromcom. Please see the table below for when the homework will be set and due in:

Year Group	Side (see English class code)	Day Homework is set and due in
Year 7	X	Tuesday
	Y	Friday
Year 8	X	Monday
	Y	Wednesday
Year 9	P	Monday
	Q	Friday

Students will occasionally have a different homework to support revision of class texts and preparation for assessments. This will be explained by their class teacher and will be clearly signposted on BromCom.

Being a fluent reader is one of the skills needed for both academic success and future life skills. **Sparx Reader** automatically chooses a selection of books based on a diagnostic test. The reading platform can be accessed on any device with an internet connection and is accessed using single Google sign in, the same as **Sparx Maths**.

The platform will automatically record reading completion through a series of comprehension questions. These questions will be asked at timed intervals appropriate to your child's reading age and reading speed.

We hope that this will help your child engage with the importance of fluent reading. Please see [these FAQs](#) which we have prepared for students and will be attached to their homework on BromCom. If you have any further questions or feedback, please get in touch with your child's English teacher in the first instance.

Kind regards,



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