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Dear Parent/carer

Research shows that regular homework can increase a child's progress by up to five months. This academic year the Trust mathematics departments begun using Sparx homework to set targeted homework for each pupil which practises current learning from each week's lessons and consolidates learning from past lessons.

The mathematics department will now be issuing Sparx homework on the Monday of each week, to be completed by the following Monday.

Some pupils have informed the department that they struggle with the homework either through lack of access to the internet or a suitable device to access the work, or due to the work being too difficult for them.

To address both of these issues the mathematics department will now run after school sessions from 3pm to 4pm on the Thursday of each week, in computer room 6, when pupils will be able to access the homework and receive help from a maths teacher to complete the work.

The sessions are voluntary for pupils that wish to receive help and support. For pupils that fail to complete a homework by the due date the after school session will become a detention on the Thursday of the same week that the homework was due.

Please help your child to complete the work set by encouraging them to start the homework soon after it is set and give themselves plenty of time to finish the task. They should also be encouraged to access the tutorial videos that are a part of the Sparx software.

For any further advice or questions contact me directly at the school.

Yours sincerely



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