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Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Year 7 and Year 8 home-learning

I write to clarify the home-learning arrangements for Years 7 and 8 pupils. The purpose of homelearning is to consolidate what is being covered in class. Home-learning for Year 7 and Year 8 pupils comprises of:

1. Table of home-learning tasks

Every half term pupils are provided with a table of home-learning tasks for a range of subjects. Pupils are to complete three tasks per week in their home learning books. Pupils can choose any of the tasks. Home-learning books have been distributed to the pupils. This home-learning is checked by form tutors every Wednesday. The first check will be on Wednesday 27th September.

Home-learning grids are attached to this email. They are also available on our school website. Please click here for Year 7. Please click here for Year 8. Pupils will also be provided with a physical copy of the grids (please note they will need the online versions so they can follow the links to the videos etc.).

Our aim is that this half termly publication, combined with one weekly checking point and one home-learning book, increases accessibility and provides an easy and efficient method of completion.

2. Maths

Pupils are set Maths questions every week to complete on Sparx Maths, an online programme. These are set by class teachers. The online programme differentiates appropriately and asks questions based on prior pupil responses. These questions are marked in real time as pupils complete the questions.

Pupils should also write the question number and answers in their home learning books. This is not for checking purposes, but because later questions sometimes ask the pupils to refer to previous answers.

Maths teachers are currently helping pupils formulate their logins. This process will be completed by the close of Monday 25th September.

3. English

Pupils are set a piece of English writing every week by their English teacher. This will be a '100 word challenge' using the new spellings that they are learning in class.



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Your child's English teacher will explain the task and the associated submission date. This should be completed in their Spelling and Vocabulary exercise books.

4. Science

Pupils are set questions on Educake to complete at various points of the half term. Your child's Science teacher will let pupils know when the tasks are available. The questions are marked in real time as the pupils complete them. All pupils will have received their logins by the close of Friday 22nd September.

5. Welsh

Pupils are set Welsh vocabulary to learn by their Welsh teacher, once a fortnight. The vocabulary lists are given to the pupils by their teacher. The teacher will explain what has to be learnt and by when.

6. Reading

We also encourage pupils to regularly read for pleasure at home. This is due to the positive impacts on pupil achievement. We recommend 15 minutes per day.

We run a home-learning club on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays in school from 3.10pm to 4.10pm. This takes place in the library. In this club pupils have access to IT and adult support.

Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions.

Many thanks for your positivity and support

Yours sincerely,

Mr J Watson Headteacher

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