

KH/SAS/TM/HomeworkUpdate

18<sup>th</sup> September 2026

Dear Parent/Carer,

### Homework Update- Year 8

Following the introduction of Sparx Learning for homework last week, during which pupils have been completing practice tasks on each of the new Sparx Learning platforms, we would like to clarify our expectations for homework going forward.

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Commencing 21<sup>st</sup> September, if a pupil does not complete a homework task on time, they will receive a 20-minute detention with their class teacher. If your child is experiencing any difficulties accessing, understanding, or completing their homework, they should speak to their class teacher as soon as possible, prior to the deadline. We will always aim to resolve any issues and ensure that pupils are able to complete the work expected of them. Pupils are given one week to complete each of their homework tasks to support this.

We are also aware that some pupils have yet to access all the required Sparx platforms. Any pupil who has not successfully logged in to at least one of the platforms will be spoken to individually so we can identify and resolve any problems.

#### Accessing Sparx

The simplest way for pupils to access Sparx is through the school website:

1. Open the school website.
2. Select Home Learning in the top-right corner.
3. Log in using their school email address and password.
4. Select the relevant Sparx platform and go to the login page
5. Select "Login with Microsoft"

A pupil's school email address is the same login that they use to access the school computers, followed by @barrbeaconschool.co.uk. Pupils will use the same login for all Sparx platforms.

In Year 8, homework will be set only in Maths, English and Science using the Sparx Learning platforms. All homework tasks will be set for pupils on a Tuesday and will be due the following Tuesday at 8:30am, meaning these should be completed before they come to school on this day.

We would appreciate your support in ensuring that your child is regularly checking and completing their homework.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,



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