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Dear Parent/Carer

We are pleased to inform you of an exciting development in the maths department. From this week, all Year 7 students will complete their maths homework using Sparx Maths, an online learning platform designed to help students develop fluency, confidence and independence in mathematics. Sparx Maths provides personalised practice and immediate feedback, allowing students to work at their own pace while reinforcing the learning taking place in lessons.

Homework will be:

- Set each **Wednesday**
- Due for completion by the following **Wednesday**
- Accessible online through each student's Sparx Maths account

Students will be shown in lessons and assembly this week how to set up their accounts. A step-by-step explanation has also been added to Arbor under assignments for this week. There is also a guidance presentation available to parents and students on our website via this link: https://tinyurl.com/3rde2srp.

We recognise that some students may find completing online homework challenging or they may not have regular access to suitable IT equipment at home. To support these students, the maths department will provide a homework support session in IT1 every Friday lunchtime. This session will be staffed by members of the department, who will be available to help students access and complete their homework.

We encourage all students to complete their homework each week, as regular practice plays an important role in developing mathematical understanding and ensuring success in the subject.

Thank you for your continued support. Should you have any questions regarding Sparx Maths or homework expectations, please do not hesitate to contact Megan Browne, Head of Maths, via megan.browne@appletonacademy.co.uk or 01274 600550.

Yours faithfully

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