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Dear Parent/Carer,

Homework – Information for Parents and Carers of Students in Year 8

As we begin the new academic year, we would like to remind families of our approach to homework, and the systems students use to access it. Regular completion of homework helps students to consolidate learning from lessons, practice key knowledge and skills, and develop independence and study habits that become increasingly important as they progress through secondary school. Our Homework Information Guide provides an overview of what students and families can expect from each subject, including the types of homework that may be set and the resources students may be asked to use: [Homework Guide.pdf](#).

Accessing homework

Like last year, all homework set by teachers will be posted on **Bromcom**, giving students one central place to check what work has been set and when it is due. Students should continue to use their **Microsoft single sign-on login** to access **Bromcom**, **Microsoft Teams** and **Sparx**. The same login can therefore be used across the main platforms students may need for homework, including Sparx Maths and Sparx Science.

We would encourage students to get back into the routine of checking Bromcom regularly so that they can plan their homework alongside their other commitments and keep track of upcoming deadlines.

You may notice that Bromcom homework assignments state “**No submission required**”. This does **not** mean that the homework is optional. It simply means that students do not need to upload or submit their work through Bromcom. Homework may instead be completed in an exercise book, on paper, through an online platform such as Sparx, or in another format directed by the teacher. Using “No submission required” also allows the homework post to be removed from the student’s active to-do list once the deadline has passed, rather than their list becoming cluttered with every piece of homework set throughout the academic year.

Supporting students with homework

Our Homework Information Booklet is designed to help families understand the expectations within different subjects and how they can best support students at home. If your child is experiencing difficulties completing homework, we would encourage them to speak to their subject teacher, form tutor or pastoral team so that any barriers can be identified and appropriate support can be put in place.



A **homework reflection** will be issued following **four incomplete homework codes**. The purpose of the reflection is to give students an opportunity to reset routines, complete any outstanding work where appropriate, and receive support in establishing positive homework habits.

If you have any general questions about homework, please contact us using the email address listed in the homework information guide:

yr8homework@themallingschool.kent.sch.uk

Thank you for your continued support in helping students develop positive and increasingly independent homework routines. Working together, we can help ensure that homework remains a purposeful part of learning and supports students in making strong progress throughout the year.

Yours sincerely



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