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Dear Parent/Carer

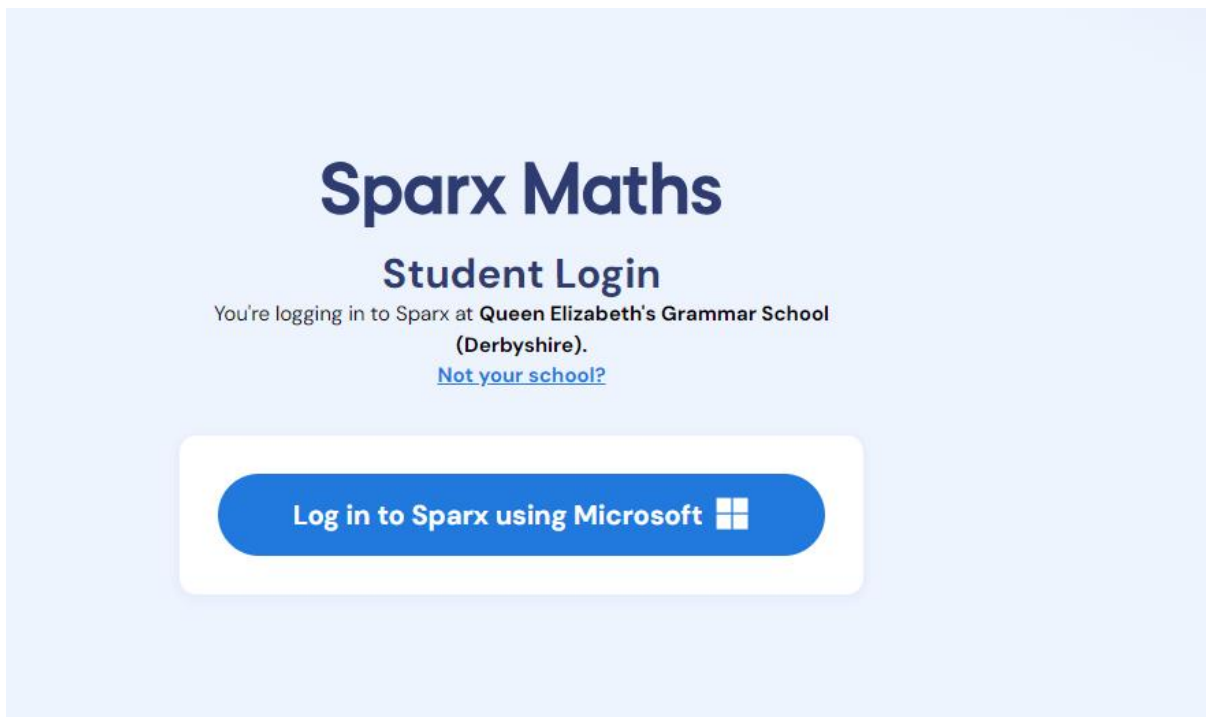
Sparx Maths – Year 7

Your child will receive weekly homework in mathematics, which is set and completed using a website called Sparx Maths. This site tailor's student's homework to them, meaning that it adjusts the difficulty level of each individual's homework based on their strengths and weakness from previous weeks. It offers videos and independent learning resources to support students with areas that they need to improve upon and has been shown over time to improve students' performance in mathematics.

All Year 7 classes will have or have had a lesson in school in a computer room to log in for the first time with support from their mathematics teacher. This letter contains information on how your child can login to Sparx so that they can be supported in accessing this website from home.

To login, students need to go to <https://sparxmaths.com/>. Alternatively, on the QEGS Intranet page, we have a link that they can click which will take them directly to the login page. Once there, they need to click 'Student Login'. This may require them to input their school first, which needs to be Queen Elizabeth's Grammar School (Derbyshire) – if the school's name does not include Derbyshire, the log in will not work.

They will be taken to this page:



From here they need to press 'Login to Sparx using Microsoft'. They will then need to use their school login; these are the same details that they use to log on to their school computers etc.

Their username will be their email which would follow this format:

4surnamefirstinitial@queenelizabeths.derbyshire.sch.uk.

If your child can't remember their password, they need to ask their form tutor or IT teacher to reset this.

What support is available at Queen Elizabeth's Grammar School?

- There is homework support every week Tuesday after school in 526 and Wednesday lunchtime in 322.
- General maths support in 318 Tuesday afterschool too.
- Students can come find their maths teacher at any break or lunch for help.

Students are expected to use their notes from their books to help them with their homework. If they are still struggling, every question has a video attached showing the step-by-step process of how to complete the question. This allows students to attempt their homework effectively without having to wait for teachers to reply to emails or wait for their next maths lesson. If students are still struggling after that, they need to speak to their class teacher. Just a reminder, Sparx will send you weekly emails to update you about your child's progress with their homework and if this is being handed in on time. **If you do not wish to receive these emails, there is the option to opt out at the bottom of the first email you get.**

We hope you agree that Sparx will play an exciting and important role in growing your child's understanding, success and confidence in maths.

If you have any questions, please contact your child's maths teacher or myself.

Yours faithfully

Narisha Vora

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