Sparx

- Maths homework is set on Sparxmaths.uk for all KS3 pupils.

- Homework is set on a **Monday** and due the following **Monday**. This gives pupils plenty of time to seek help from their teacher or access homework clubs if needed.
- Sparx can be completed on phones, tablets and laptops.
- Homework should take pupils no more than 1 hour. If you find your child is spending longer than this please encourage them to time themselves and stop after 1 hour.
- Sparx uses Artificial intelligence to learn each pupils working level, so it is important that pupils are not using a calculator or being given too much help, as their questions will then get harder.
- Bookwork checks are an important part of the homework.

Watch a video about bookwork codes by following this url: shorturl.at/qzNTU

What is a bookwork check?

Bookwork checks are an integral element of Sparx Maths Homework.

Each question presented to students has a code that is displayed at the top of the question screen.

Bookwork code: H25

Students are required to write this question code and their workings and answer in their books for every question, before entering their final answer into the system.

Periodically during a student's homework or Sparx lesson, students will be see a **bookwork check**. They are given a code from a question that they answered recently and will be asked what the correct answer for this question was.

Bookwork Check ⑦

What is the correct answer for this bookwork code?

Bookwork code: J35

| 728.02 | 217.3 | 730.02 |
| 93.5 | 2173 | 736.02 |

I didn't write this down   Submit >

If they are unable to pass the bookwork check, they will be asked to redo that question. If students fail these bookwork checks regularly then they will be asked to complete these checks more frequently.

Why are bookwork checks used in Sparx?

We aim to encourage students to write down all of their workings. This is for a number of reasons:

- Research shows that writing down workings aids mathematical retention.
- This practice also helps students prepare for written exams.
- Ensuring students write their work down helps teachers identify mistakes and misconceptions in student's working.

By asking students to recall the correct answer to a previous question without showing the content of the question we ensure that students are writing down the answers and workings clearly in their books.
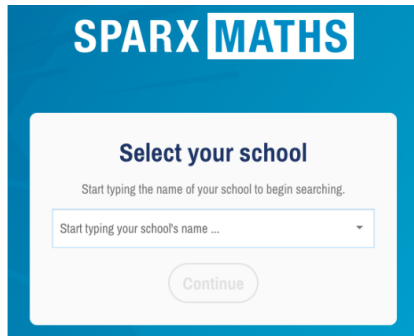
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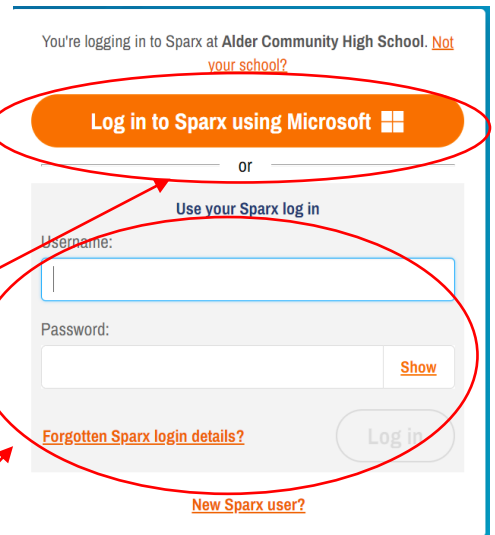
firstnamelastname
Eg samuelsmith

Password:

Pupils choose their own passwords at set up.

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Logging on to Sparx could not be easier...

1. Visit sparxmaths.uk/student
2. Carefully select Alder Community High School

SPARX MATHS

Select your school

Start typing the name of your school to begin searching.

Start typing your school's name ...

Continue

You will see the following screen

You're logging in to Sparx at **Alder Community High School**. Not your school?

Log in to Sparx using Microsoft

or

Use your Sparx log in

Username:

Password:

Show

Forgotten Sparx login details?   Log in

New Sparx user?

There are two ways to log in.

A) Click the Orange button
   'Log in to Sparx using Microsoft'

   Here you will need to log in using
   your school email address and password (eg 22jb01@alderchs.uk)

B) Type in your Sparx username (in the format firstnamelastname)
   And Sparx password that you created on set up.

Summary:

Log in to Sparx using Microsoft

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Username:

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Eg   joebloggs