



Year 7 Introduction Evening



6:00pm - 6:30pm

Introduction:

Mr Wordsworth and Mrs Gavin
Deputy Headteachers

Mental Health and Wellbeing:

Mrs Sherring
Assistant Headteacher

Curriculum talks from:

English: Mr Crawford
Science: Mrs Woodward
Maths: Mrs Miles

Homework:

Mr George
Associate Assistant Headteacher

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We connect – building strong relationships

We are relentless – nothing left to chance

We model the way

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Achieve

'Knowledge enables students to think the unthinkable and the not yet thought'. Bernstein



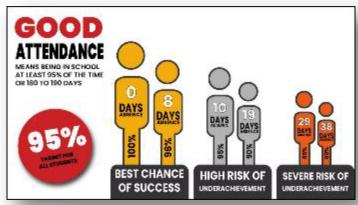




House Points = 8671 Homework = 1795 100% attendance = 577

97% attendance





Attendance	Progress 8	Attainment 8	Eng/Maths 4- 9
96%+	1.14	6.16	92.1
90-95%	0.6	4.88	76.5
80-89%	-0.09	4.33	65
50-79%	-1.05	4.06	42.9
Below 50%	-3	1.81	25





Belong

'Belonging is a flame that needs to be continually fed by signals of connection'







Belong Points = 1098

Pinkery Success
Kindness and supporting
each other as a year
group

The content of your character is your choice. Day by day, what you choose, what you think and what you do is who you become. Heraclitus





Participate

'Equality of opportunity is the essence of social justice'

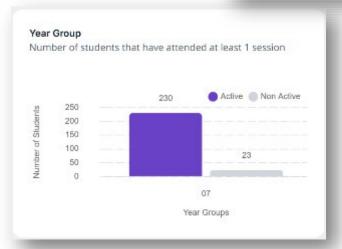










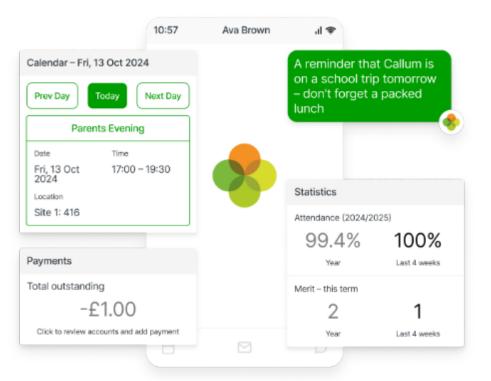


91% of students have Participated in at least 1 enrichment club!



Arbor





- Students can swipe right when they have completed a homework task
- Parents/carers can view attendance, behaviour and any detentions
- Send attendance messages
 - Receive email notifications from the school







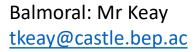






How to contact us:

- Arbor communications for attendance or email Mrs Penn: <u>hpenn@castle.bep.ac</u>
- Your child's tutor
- Your child's Head of House



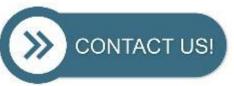
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Lancaster: Mrs Curno ccurno@castle.bep.ac

Sandringham: Mr Crawford pcrawford@castle.bep.ac







Mental Health and Wellbeing

A whole school approach



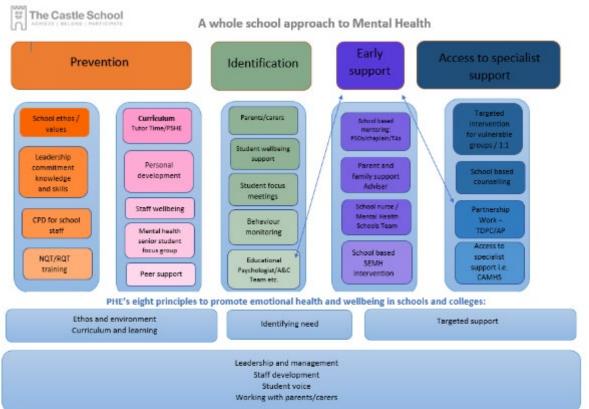
Mrs Sherring: AHT and Strategic Lead for SEND

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Prevention

School ethos / values Leadership Commitment, knowledge and skills CPD for school staff NQT/RQT training



Early support

The Wellbeing Hub Parent and family support adviser School based mentoring: PSOs/chaplain/TAs School Nurse / Mental Health Schools Team School based SEMH intervention

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Courses Answers Specialist Help Resources Careers Top Tips Webinars Self-Care Offers Q .



Welcome To The Wellbeing Hub

FOR EASY ACCESS, SAVE US TO THE HOME SCREEN OF YOUR PHONE - HERE'S HOW.

June's Theme: Young People, Drugs & Street Safety

New: <u>Podcast</u> on Radicalisation with DCI Tiffany Chapman, Counter Terrorism Policing HQ.

Coming Up:

Live Q&A with Alicia on the first Tuesday of every month at 6:00pm.

Podcast on preventing knife crime & county lines with the MET Police; webinar on young people, drugs & decisions; tip sheet on prospective memory & decision making by Alicia Drummond.

Summer Term Content Line-up - View here

The Wellbeing Hub Monthly Themes 2022/2023 – View here

Summer Term Webinar Line-up - View here

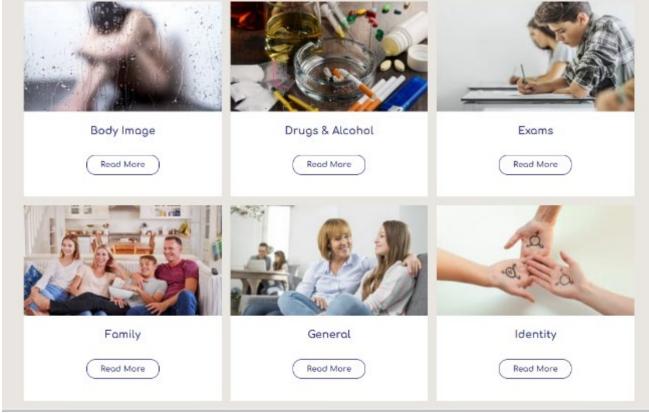


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The Year 7 Curriculum at The Castle School

Our <u>knowledge</u> rich curriculum is designed to be well-balanced and giving varied opportunities. It promotes the spiritual, moral, cultural, mental and physical development of our students and <u>prepares them for the opportunities</u>, <u>responsibilities and experiences of adult life</u>.

Our aim is to provide a curriculum that is highly effective in delivering outcomes but also ensures our students will be widely educated, with experiences that include consideration of the best that humanity has produced, words, art, ideas, science.

We aim to ensure that students leave The Castle School very well equipped for the next stage of their education, training or employment, and educated so that they enjoy life and live well.

The Castle School - Curriculum Website Pages





PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT AT THE CASTLE SCHOOL



Personal Development at The Castle School



The Castle Magazine

OTHER PERSONAL **DEVELOPMENT DOCUMENTS**



Careers Education at The Castle School



Character Education at The Castle School



Citizenship Education at The Castle School



Equality and Diversity Education at The Castle School



Fundamental British Values at The Castle School



Personal Development A Strategy



Impact of the Personal Development Strategy 2021-23



SMSC Education at The Castle School





CURRICULUM MAPS

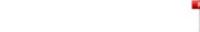




































The Year 7 Curriculum at The Castle School

Two equal populations (GOM and RBY)
All groups mixed ability profile, except for Maths
Universal curriculum for all
Languages - initial rotation and then selection of one language

Be well-informed and talk about the knowledge being secured in school Encourage active participation and making the most of The Castle School Insist on homework completion

Be ambitious for students across the Key Stage 3 breadth

Support independent revision/review/practice

Communicate with us if you'd like – don't wait for a Progress Evening











A journey through Y7 English at The Castle School

Our curriculum aims:

- To foster a love of English and curiosity around language
- To develop knowledge of the world and its voices
- To empathise and question
- To be confident orators, readers and writers

Theme of the year: Good Vs Evil / Magical and fantastical





Term 1 - English

The Graveyard Book by Gaiman

Introduction to analysis and creation of meaning, exploring the fantasy genre and bildungsroman form and enjoying reading!

11-week unit

A hopeful coming of age story about a young boy raised by ghosts.

Bod learns what it means to be human as he grows up and prepares to leave the graveyard behind.

New Worlds – creative writing

Looking at what makes effective composition in terms of language and structure. Creation of a utopic new world.

4-week unit

Initially based on the setting in the film Avatar.

Students will write their own description of an imagined world.





Term 2 - English

Debate

An introduction to the concept of a debate. Understanding how to listen, question, respond and build successful arguments.

4-week unit

The students complete a live, classroom debate which they will prepare for in lessons, based on a variety of topics.

Shakespeare's The Tempest

Exploration of a whole Shakespeare play. Focusing mostly on stagecraft and the comedy genre.

6-week unit

First experience of Shakespeare at secondary school.

Learning to analyse pictures and quotes and write about them at secondary school level.





Term 3 - English

Greek Myths

Understanding some of the most popular Greek Myths. Focus on ability to re-tell myths, remember the plot and importance of myths

6-week unit

Students will learn about classic Greek myths and legends like Medusa, Prometheus and Icarus, important symbols throughout English lessons, books and films!

Poetry

Understanding how these techniques learnt apply to poetry. Particularly focusing on extended metaphors and implied meanings.

6-week unit

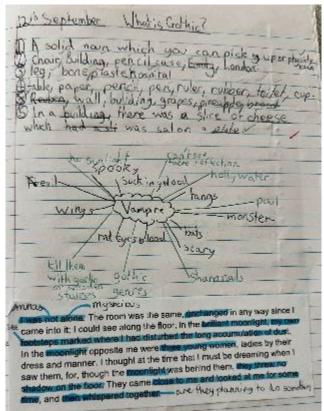
Introduction to several new poems and learn to analyse and write about poetry.

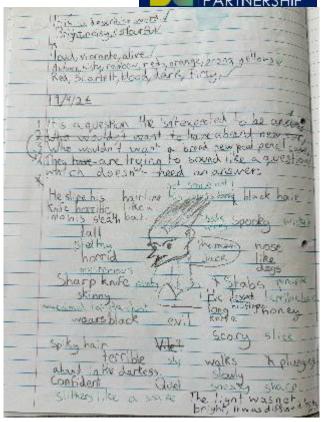
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What have year 7s been learning so far?













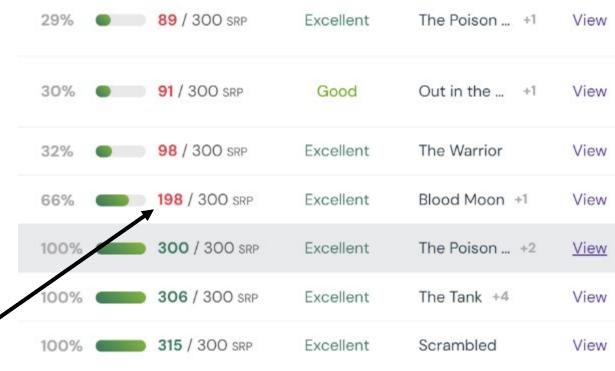
Alongside our curriculum

Sparx Reader Homework

Students read and answer questions about the book they are reading.

Correct answers gain them SRP points (Sparx Reader Points)

Teachers can see each student's progress towards completing their homework here





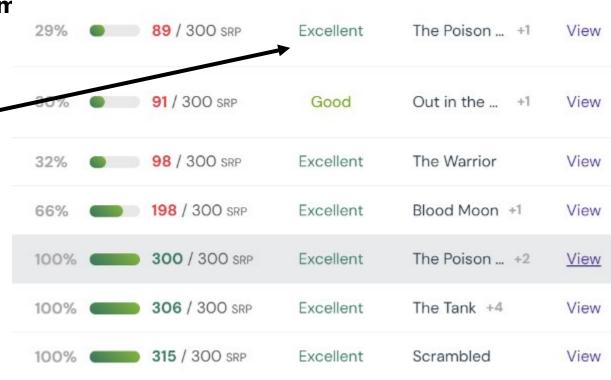


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Sparx Reader Homework

Teachers can also see the accuracy rating for the questions answered here.

This tells us how they are getting on with answering the questions and if they may need any additional support.

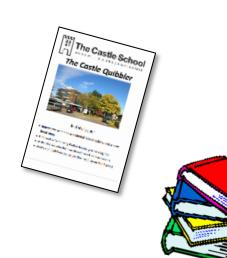






How you can support students' learning:

- Encourage reading! Either books at home or on their
 Sparx Reader account on computers, tablets or phones.
- Ask about their learning.
- Support with homework booklet work set by the class teacher



What to do if you're worried:

Contact your child's class teacher











Our aim for year 7 science

- Lay the foundation for future success in science
- Secure important knowledge needed for the next stage.
- Ignite passion and curiosity
- Show students how to use the laboratory and the equipment safely
- Encourage students to begin to think, speak and act more like scientists



The KS3 curriculum



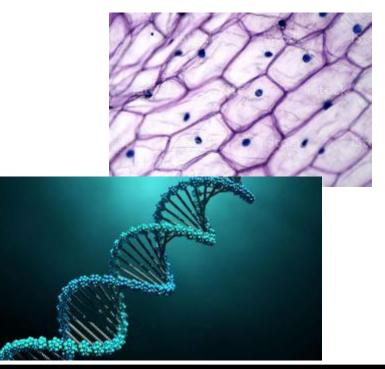
Theme	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
Cells, tissues, organs and systems	Structure of plant and animal cells Microscope parts and use- slide preparation Specialised cells- egg, sperm, red blood cell, root hair cell.	Magnification Cell division and mitosis Organisation of specialised cells into tissues Structure of the skeleton Muscles	Neurons- structure and adaptation. Nervous system structure and function. Brain structure and regions.
	Structure of bacteria Bacterial culture using agar- aseptic technique Uses of microorganisms- fermentation, yoghurt, digestive health.	Importance of bacteria in the human digestive system Spread of communicable disease and preventative measures.	Enzymes. Examples and as a protein molecule. Conditions affecting enzyme action. Biotechnology. Conditions required and examples (Quorn/ cheese production). Immune system overview. Vaccination
	Male and female reproductive organs Puberty changes Role of hormones (oestrogen, progesterone, testosterone) Menstrual cycle	Birth Infant nutrition Consequences of malnutrition-scurvy, kwashiorkor, rickets. Obesity Effects of alcohol Effects of smoking Effects of drugs-stimulants/ depressants/ hallucinogens/ narcotics.	Hormonal control of the menstrual cycle (FSH, oestrogen, LH, progesterone). Role of the Corpus Luteum etc. Reproductive system overview. Artificial use of hormones in assisting conception (IVF) and contraception.
Reproduction and health	Sexual intercourse Journey of a sperm	Meiosis Embryo development	Selective breeding- examples in agriculture. Artificial reproduction methods- tissue culture, cuttings.





Biology big themes

- Cells, tissues, organs and systems
- Reproduction and health
- Variation and inheritance
- •Life processes, ecology and interdependence

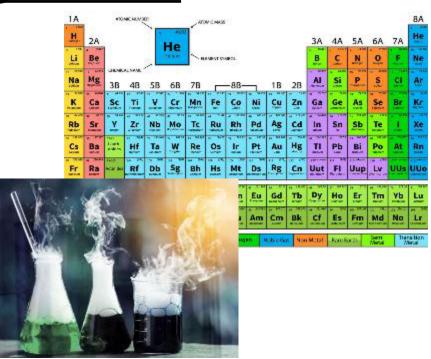






Chemistry big themes

- Atoms and elements
- Chemical reactions
- Particles and states of matter
- •The Earth: Rocks and atmosphere.



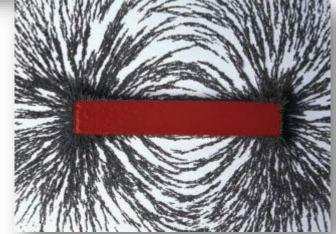




Physics big themes

- Forces and motion
- Waves and energy
- Space
- •Electricity and magnetism

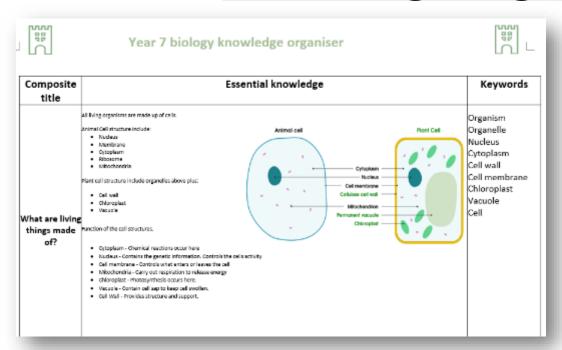








Knowledge organisers



All students have access to these and contain all the key knowledge.

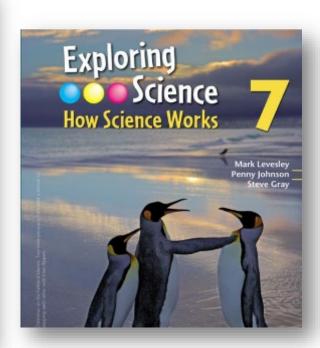




Literacy in science

Keywords

Organism
Organelle
Nucleus
Cytoplasm
Cell wall
Cell membrane
Chloroplast
Vacuole
Cell









Assessment

- Continual, informal assessment of learning in lessons and the books. Teachers will use this to record and address individual and whole class misconceptions or gaps in knowledge.
- Short class assessments such as short quizzes.
- Formal tests used by us to track progress at end c module. Including the year 7 exam at the end of the academic year.







<u>Extras</u>

- Knowledge organisers
- Go on BBC bitesize to look at the activities and quizzes: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zqkww6f
- Read books, magazines or articles on topics you are interested in. Your science teacher will be happy to recommend some.
- Go on to: https://www.stem.org.uk/home-learning and click on 'Secondary Biology, Chemistry or Physics' for fun activities you can get involved in.











To develop pupils as competent mathematicians and promote an enthusiasm to study maths at a higher level and/or recognise the value of maths in everyday life.





Number

Algebra

Ratio & Proportion

Geometry & Measure

Statistics

Probability

Curriculum Themes

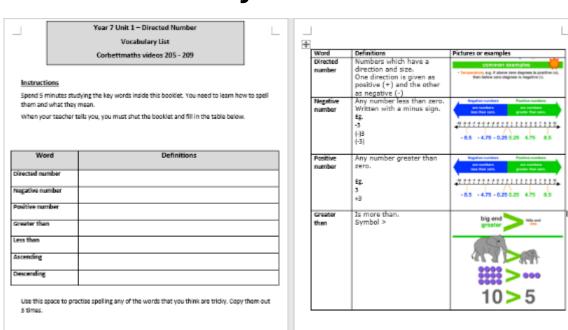
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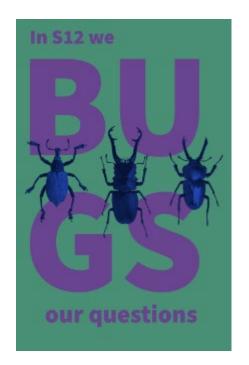
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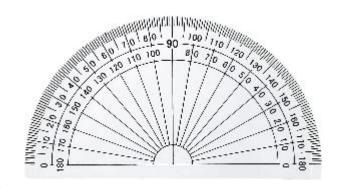
Vocabulary and Problem Solving







Equipment







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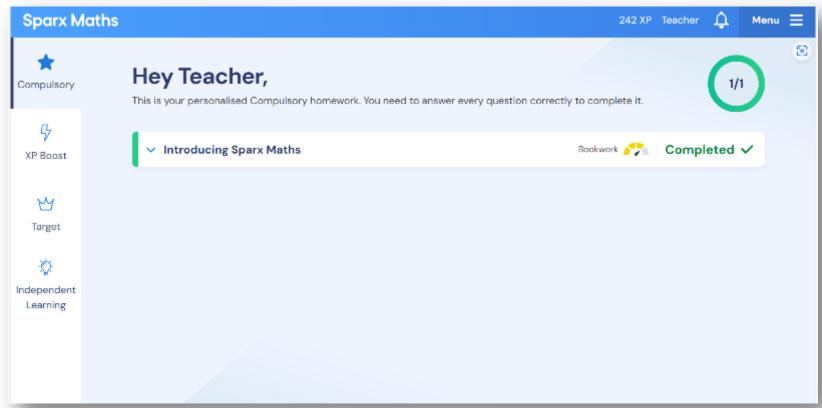
Sparx Maths

Teacher Login

Select your school Start typing the name of your school to begin searching.			
the castle			
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The Castle School (Taunton) Wellington Road, Taunton, TA1 5AU	Taunton		
The Latimer Arts College Castle Way, Kettering, NN15 6SW	Kettering		







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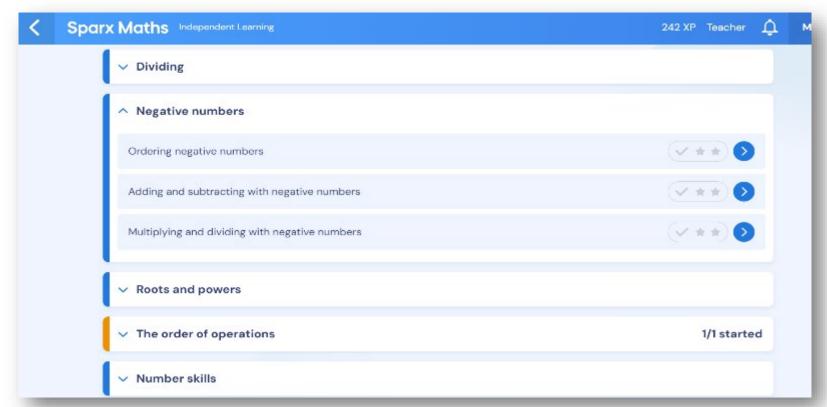




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	∨ Dividing	
	∨ Negative numbers	
	∨ Roots and powers	







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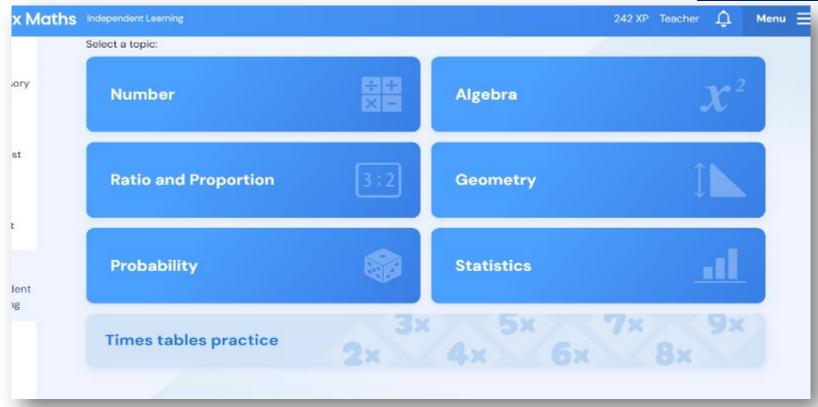




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	Strengthen	Question 1 Answer	Question 2 Answer	Question 3 Answer	Question 4 Answer	Question 5 Answer	Question 6 Answer	







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Assessments





Revision List

Post assessment

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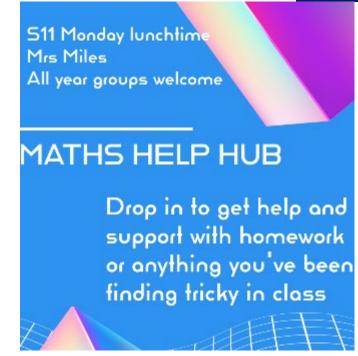
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Maths Help Hub

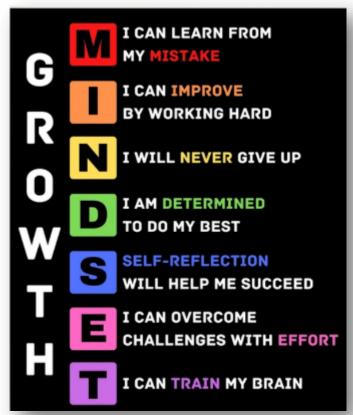
- Every **Monday lunchtime** in S11 from **1:40 pm to 2:10 pm** to get help with homework/classwork.
- XP points will count towards the house trophy for your tutor group and house.
- The students with the most XP will be given prizes in the achievement assemblies at the end of term.







Supporting maths learning at home



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Year 7 Homework



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Week Commencing	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1 8.9.25	Science Sparx Maths	Religion and World Views Sparx Reader	Languages Reading article Feathers	Sparx Maths	History
Week 2 15.9.25	Science Sparx Maths	Sparx Reader	Languages Reading article: To a Daughter Leaving Home	DT Sparx Maths	Geography
Week 3 22.9.25	Science Sparx Maths	Religion and World Views Sparx Reader	Languages Reading Article: Aurelia Dobre: World Champion Gymnast	Food Sparx Maths	History
Week 4 29.9.25	Science Sparx Maths	Computing Sparx Reader	Languages Reading article: Dreams	DT Sparx Maths	Geography
Week 5 6.10.25	Science Sparx Maths	Religion and World Views Sparx Reader	MFL Reading article: Dr Martin Luther King Jr.: Changing America	Art Sparx Maths	History
Week 6 13.10.24	Science Sparx Maths	Music Sparx Reader	Languages Reading article: Simone Blies	PSHE Sparx Maths	Geography

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Homework Reading Task

On the Roof of the World

By Benjamin Koch 2015

in this informational text, Benjamin Koch discusses his experiences in Tibet, a region in Central Asia. While in Tibet, Noch strayed with a group of people with no permanent home, known as namads. As you read, take nates on how the author describes the Tibetan namads' way of life.

[1] A few summers ago, I was lucky to travel to Tibet, the "roof of the world." Tibet is a small country surrounded on all sides by gigantic snowy mountain peaks. For thousands of years, these towering mountains acted like a fence, keeping people from entering the country. That's one reason why explorers and writers have called Tibet the roof of the world. It's hard to get to. The other reason is Tibet's high elevation. When I dimbed mountain passes' over 17,000 feet above sea level. I gasped for air. I was more than three miles high!



"Macroads travel by floor or on horses alongside the yolis that comp off their supplies." by Scott Pospore-Hools is used with

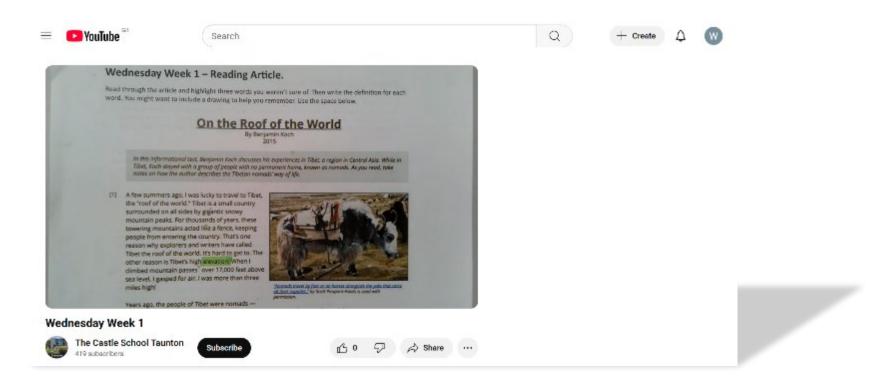
Years ago, the people of Tibet were nomads people without permanent homes. The ground in Tibet is much too rocky and thin to grow crops, so Tibetans centered their daily life and survival on the yak. The yaks provided the nomads with nearly everything they needed — milk, butter, meat, and wool for clothes and ropes. Even yak dung was used for fires.

Tibetan normads would lead their herds of yak and sheep across pastures, "valleys, and mountainsides in search of the best grazing" lands. They did not live in permanent homes made of wood, brick, or stone.

Times are changing in Tibet, and more and more people live and work in villages and cities. But there are still nomads who survive on the high plateau⁰ just as their ancestors did.







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STUDENTS

BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS

CLASS TEAMS

EXAMS

HELP AND SUPPORT

KNOWLEDGE ORGANISERS

LITERACY AND READING

SPORT AND NUTRITION

USEFUL LINKS

YEAR 7 HOMEWORK

YEAR 8 HOMEWORK



YEAR 7 HOMEWORK

'Practice of what is taught'

At The Castle School we value homework as we know the benefits it brings to our students. The Educational Endowment Foundation suggests students can make 5 months additional progress with regular purposeful homework and we achieve this by practicing what is taught.

Each student will be given a homework booklet to complete their homework in and a knowledge organiser booklet with the necessary knowledge to help them complete their homework.

Each student should spend 30 minuteson each subject following the firmetable in the homework booklet. Their homework booklet will be checked (which will likely be their next lesson) and the knowledge will be referred to in lessons. The library is available from 8 am to 5 pmbefore school, at break time or lunch time and after school

Here is the homework summarised from each subject:

- Science, PSHE, computing, Geography, History and Religion and World Views Cornell note taking from knowledge organisers.
- · English Sparx Reader
- · Maths Sparx Maths
- Languages sentence builders
- Art and Music Forms quiz on knowledge learnt

Please see below for resources and videos to help complete homework:

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Subjects

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How you can support your child with their homework















Support



Sparx Reader

