

Homework Information

20th October 2022



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Agenda

- Why Homework? What is a parent / carers role?
- Self Quizzing Homework
- Sparx Maths Homework
- Bedrock English Homework
- Tassomai Science Homework
- Homework Club



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Why is homework important?

- There is a direct link between amount/ effort spent on homework and students attainment.
- EEF research indicates that homework adds the value of 5 months of learning.
- (<https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/education-evidence/teaching-learning-toolkit/homework>)
- Develops students ability to work independently, they'll need this as they move into GCSEs and revision, and crucially, also in the workplace.



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Why are parents/ carers important?

- Research has shown that when parents are engaged with their child's learning they make more progress.
- Children's attitude to homework will be influenced by adults attitude towards it.
- Play a vital role in helping children establish routines, develop self discipline.



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Self Quizzing Homework

- To be completed every school night.
- Checked in roll call by their tutor for the previous night, e.g. on Monday we will check Friday's homework was completed.
- KS3 → Example schedule
- KS4 = students decide which subject



Self Quizzing Timetable		
Week A	Monday	MFL
	Tuesday	Geography
	Wednesday	History
	Thursday	Religious Studies
	Friday	Catering
Week B	Monday	MFL
	Tuesday	Geography
	Wednesday	History
	Thursday	Computing
	Friday	Personal Development

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- Each term students will be provided with a planner and each term and a knowledge organiser
- They must write 10 questions in full, and then their answer
- They should then quiz themselves, hiding the answers and then checking if they are correct.
- Talking about the questions with a parent/ carer/ sibling will also help them reinforce this key information

Week 15
Tuesday 5th January 2021

Quiz

Questions	Answers – Test yourself
1	
2	
3	
4	
5	
6	
7	
8	
9	
10	

Reading Log / Additional Homework

DEAR book: _____ Pages read: _____



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Tuesday 25th January 2022

Week 18

Quiz

3 mins read

10 mins create quiz

2 mins answer

3 mins re-write

2 mins check & correct

Questions History

Answers - Test yourself

- 1 when was MacArthur's surprise attack? September 1950
- 2 when was the Korean war stalemate? July 1951
- 3 when did Chinese/Korean forces push back UN to SK? November 1950
- 4 when did the UN cross the 38th parallel? October 1950
- 5 when was MacArthur sacked? March 1951
- 6 who did Truman think would start a nuclear war? USSR
- 7 who did Stalin send equipment to? Chinese / SK forces
- 8 Truman thought depending SK was a — outcome? satisfactory
- 9 MacArthur was ' — in chief' commander
- 10 South were on the verge of — . cap collapse

Additional Homework

DEAR book:

Pages read:

Wednesday

Quiz

Questions

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3 a n

4 who

5 hyp

6 hyp

7 horn

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9 prot

10 pl

Additional

DEAR book:

Week 16

Tuesday 11th January 2022

Quiz

3 mins read

10 mins create quiz

2 mins answer

3 mins re-write

2 mins check & correct

Questions

Answers - Test yourself

- 1 What does Drone mean? A sound sustained for a very long time.
- 2 What is a opera about? A story like set onto a piece of music
- 3 What is tone how? A piece of orchestral music on a descriptive theme.
- 4 What does Virtuoso mean? Displaying exceptional technical skill.
- 5 What is melismata about? All these attached is a character or idea.
- 6 What is a guitar flake? It is a canonic note used in music.
- 7 How is like guitar a canonic note? Because it is a very good sounding note.
- 8 What makes a good note? One note that does it all.
- 9 Is the guitar note used also in modern music? yes it is used by rapists.
- 10 Why do people love the note? it helps make good music.

Additional Homework

the book is very good but it could be better in my opinion and it is a bit boring for me so i will have a different book to read.

DEAR book: Gangster story

Pages read: 78

ND, TAKE

AW
RUST

Sparx Maths



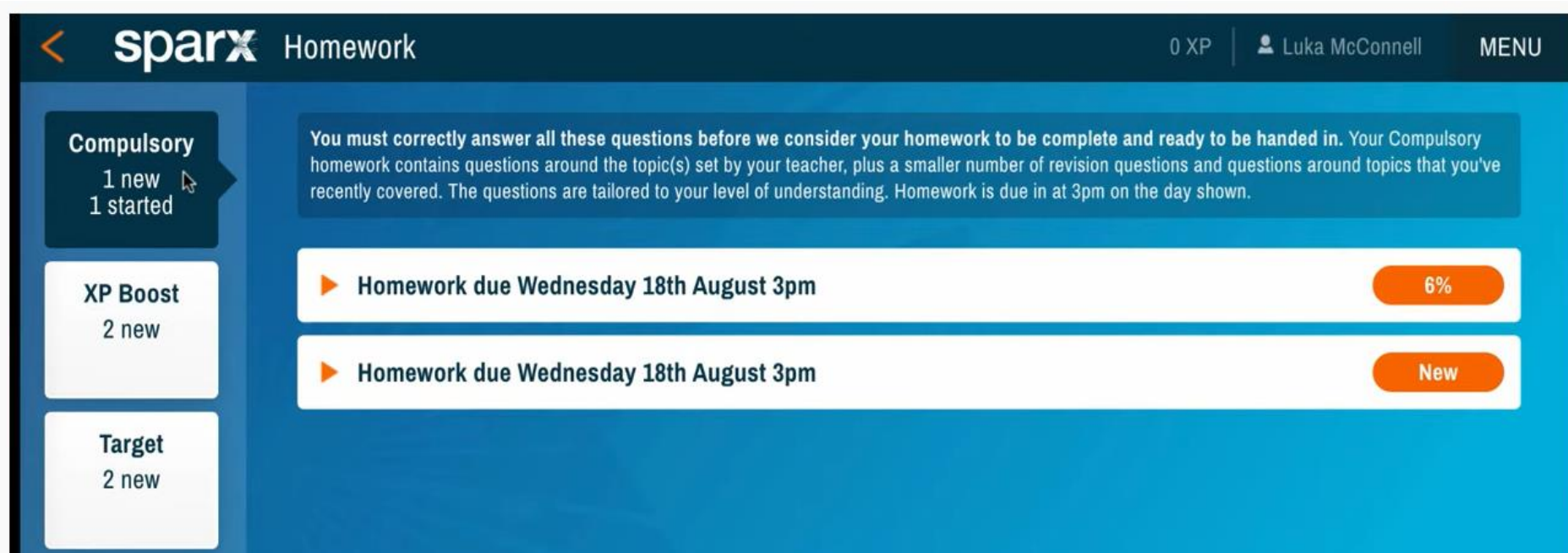
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Sparx Maths

- Sparx maths is an online homework system which over time looks at a student's responses to questions and will adjust the level of challenge in questions being set going forward.
- Homework is set each Friday at 3pm, due Friday at 3pm.



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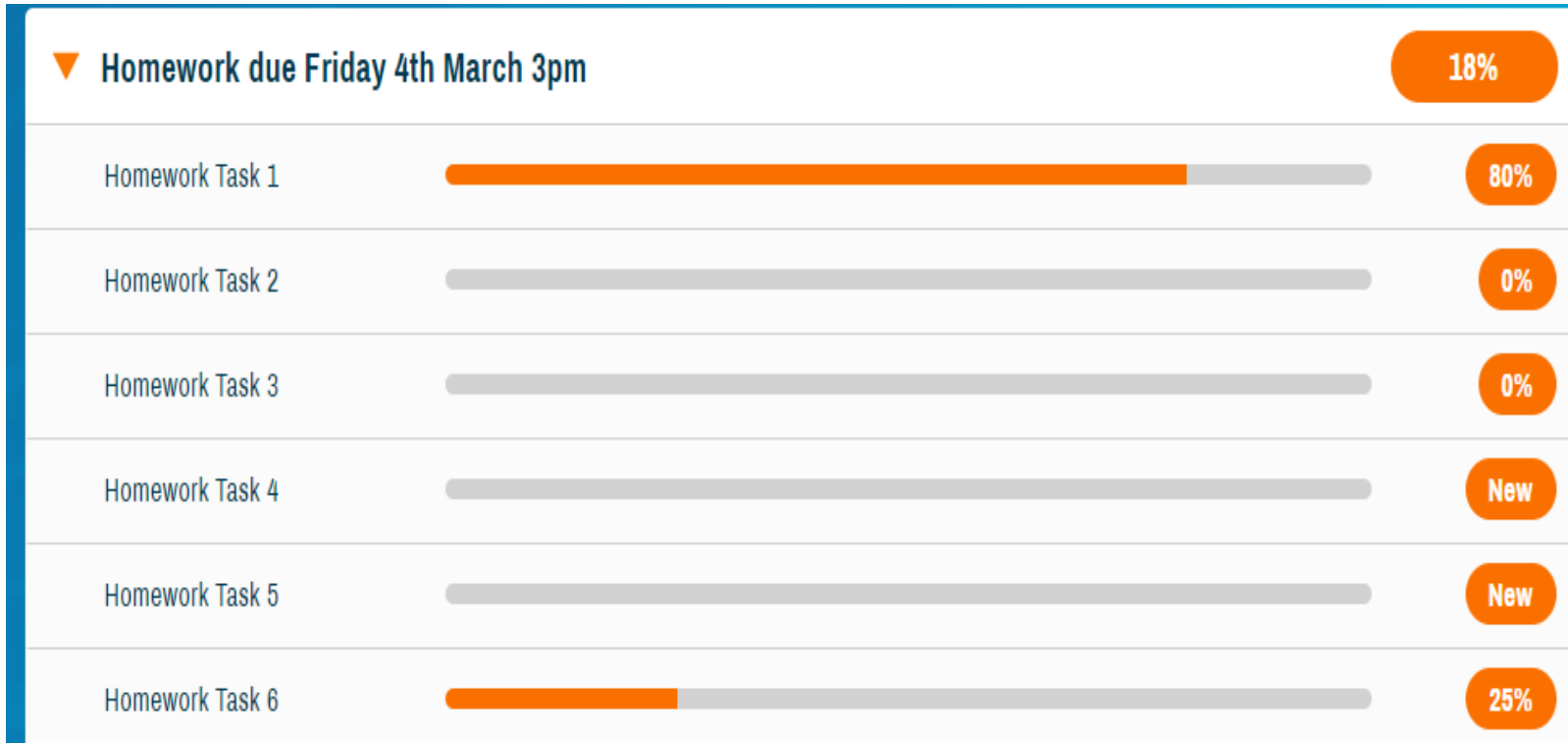


Student view of homework

- PHS students are expected to complete the “Compulsory” section.
- The “Target” and “XP boost” sections provide more in depth questions but are optional for students.



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- This student has completed 80% of task 1 and 25% of task 6.
- 2 tasks have been opened and looked at, while 2 task have not yet been opened.



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▼ Homework due Friday 25th February 3pm		Completed
Homework Task 1	<div></div>	Completed
Homework Task 2	<div></div>	Completed
Homework Task 3	<div></div>	Completed
Homework Task 4	<div></div>	Completed
Homework Task 5	<div></div>	Completed
Homework Task 6	<div></div>	Completed

- An example of student work where all tasks have been completed.



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- Video clips are provided to help students where they may be struggling. We expect students to use these whilst completing tasks if they need to.
- Direct assistance from parents, whilst useful in the right context, may fool the system into thinking the student is doing better than they actually are and cause it to set an inappropriate level of questioning going forward.



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Sparx Maths

Bookwork code: E40



Which of these functions should complete the function machine below?



- | | | | |
|--------------|-----------|-------------|-------|
| $\div 100$ | $+100$ | -100 | $+10$ |
| $\times 100$ | $\div 10$ | $\times 10$ | -10 |

Watch video



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- Bookwork checks are used in Sparx to ensure students are writing out methods and workings, rather than just putting in answers.
- Each question has a bookwork code that students need to record alongside their written work.
- Every so often the system will ask a student to input the bookwork code for a question they answered earlier in the session.
- Failure to do so will result in a bookwork error being reported to the teacher and the student will be asked to repeat the question.
- Students are not expected to bring their workings into school.
However, if a repeated pattern of failed checks is happening, they may then be asked to show the teacher their work.



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Sparx Maths

D30

$$\frac{6}{8} = \frac{3}{4}$$

E40

$$\begin{array}{r} 315 \\ + 216 \\ \hline 531 \end{array}$$

Bookwork Check ?

What is the correct answer for this bookwork code?

Bookwork code: F50

120	907	14
18	3	1.7

I didn't write this down **Submit** >



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Sparx Maths

- Sparx expectation is that students will complete 100% of their set tasks each week.

The biggest help?

Encouraging your child to start early and not leave everything to the last minute!



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Bedrock - English



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Bedrock Vocabulary: what is it?

- Bedrock Vocabulary is an online programme that helps your child learn **new vocabulary**.
- It will help them learn the sort of language they will come across in text books, lessons or exams so has benefits across the curriculum, not just in English lessons.

abundant

accommodate

accumulate

adhere

agony

allegiance

ambition

ambitious

ample

anguish

anticipate

anxious

apparel

appeal

apprehensive

arid

awe










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What do we expect from our pupils?

Each week, students will need to gain a minimum of **20 Bedrock points** before midnight on Sunday

Each Monday, English teachers will be emailed a report that looks like this:

	20	B 9 T 1: The Singer	B 9 T 1: The Singer: Lesson 3 (24 Sep 2022 11:18) 85%	
	20	37 Common roots	37 Common roots: Lesson 2 (23 Sep 2022 09:18) 100%	
	17	B 7 T 1: Strange Places	B 7 T 1: Strange Places: Lesson 1 (Started on 19 Sep 2022 09:51)	B7 T1 quiz (19 Sep 2022 09:51): pre 86%
	17	B 5 T 1: The Wild West!	B 5 T 1: The Wild West!: Lesson 1 (19 Sep 2022 11:07) 76%	B5 T1 quiz (19 Sep 2022 10:51): pre 77%
	10			
	10			
	7	B 9 T 1: The Singer	B 9 T 1: The Singer: Lesson 1 (Started on 25 Sep 2022)	B9 T1 quiz (25 Sep 2022 20:16): pre 33%

- This means they can tell who's been improving their vocabulary and who hasn't.
- House points are awarded for the top 3 points scorers in each class.
- A detention will be issued if a pupil has not achieved 20 points for that week.

Don't forget the drip drip drip!



- The best way to learn new words is to revisit them over a period of time. Each Bedrock lesson is drip fed every 48 hours.
- This means that your child can't do all of their Bedrock lessons at the last minute on Sunday night!
- A perfect approach looks like this:

Monday – Bedrock lesson 1

Wednesday – Bedrock lesson 2

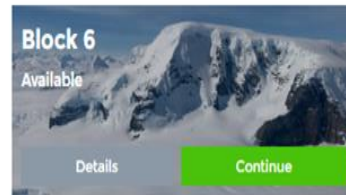
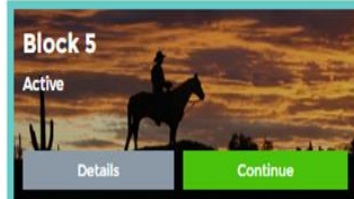
Friday or any day on the weekend – Bedrock lesson 3



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Your progress

In progress



Details - Block 5

Active 10 topics

Continue

1. B 5 T 1: The Wild West! Pre test score: 44%



2. B 5 T 2: Sky Woman: A creation myth

3. B 5 T 3: Gladiators!

4. B 5 T 4: The Solar System

5. B 5 T 5: Persephone and the Pomegranate Seeds

How is progress measured?

Your child will do a test to start with. This shows us how much of the language they already know. (Pre test)

Then they work their way through the lessons.

At the end of each unit, there is another test to see how much progress they've made. (Post test)

Your progress

In progress

Block 4
Locked



Details

Block 5
Active



Details Continue

Block 6
Available



Details Continue

Details - Block 5

Active 10 topics

1. B 5 T 1: The Wild West!

Pre test score: 449%

Continue

Pre test	Lesson 1	Lesson 2	Lesson 3	Lesson 4	Lesson 5	Lesson 6	Post Test
Completed	18-May-19 19:56	07-Jun-19 14:20	continue				

2. B 5 T 2: Sky Woman: A creation myth

3. B 5 T 3: Gladiators!

4. B 5 T 4: The Solar System

5. B 5 T 5: Persephone and the Pomegranate Seeds

Clicking on either
continue button
will take your
child to their
next lesson!

Your progress

In progress

Block 4

Locked

Details

Block 5

Active

Details

Continue

Block 6

Available

Details

Continue

Details - Block 4



Locked 10 topics

1. B 4 T 1: The Vikings	Pre test score: 28%	Post test score: 89%	% improvement: 218%	Completed
2. B 4 T 2: The Circle of Life	Pre test score: 0%	Post test score: 0%	% improvement: 0%	Completed
3. B 4 T 3: King Midas and The Golden Touch				

Pre Test

Pre test

Lesson 13

Lesson 14

Lesson 15

Lesson 16

Lesson 17

Lesson 18

Post Test

When they have completed a topic, they will see their pre test score, their post test score and how much improvement they have made!

	Vocabulary I knew before	Vocabulary I am learning	Vocabulary I have learned
A		accomplish achievement	advantage ambition
B	baggage basic	blizzard	bold border
C	century	continent	capture coast
D	desire develop	deed	
E	epic		
F	folklore	fatal frequent	fierce
G			grasp
H			

As your child work through the lessons, the vocabulary they learn will be added to their knowledge organiser.

They can access this at any time by clicking on 'Knowledge Organiser' from the top menu.

Welcome to Bedrock Learning

Please enter your Bedrock username.

Please enter your Bedrock password.


Username


Password

Sign in

[Forgotten your password? \(Staff & Guardians\)](#)

Or log in with...

 Office 365

 Google



Login:

1. With the Bedrock username and password



When you log on



Vocabulary

Learn the academic language
you need to succeed.

Let's go



Grammar

Learn about the way we arrange
language to show meaning.

Let's go



Select the
Vocabulary
option



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When you log on

Welcome to Bedrock!

Let's complete a test so we can assign the right content for you!

Take the test

Take the test to
find the right
place for you to
start



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Welcome to Bedrock Learning

Please enter your Bedrock username.

Please enter your Bedrock password.

[Sign in](#)

Create a guardian account

Do you have an access code issued via a school, or would you like to sign up for home learning?

[School access code](#)[Create home account](#)[X](#)

Guardian sign up

Child's last name



Access code (This should be provided to you by the school)

Your details

Email

First name

Last name

Register



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Bedrock Vocabulary

Any issues
please email
your child's
English
teacher



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Tassomai Science



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Student signing up for Tassomai



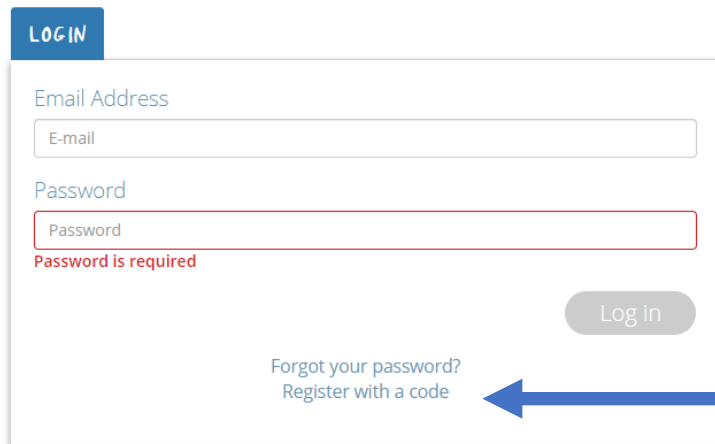
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Get access to the program

Go to <https://app.tassomai.com/login>

This can be found by googling Tassomai

It will then be the top link on google



A screenshot of the Tassomai login interface. At the top left is a blue 'LOGIN' button. Below it are two input fields: 'Email Address' with a placeholder 'E-mail' and 'Password' with a placeholder 'Password'. The password field has a red border and a red error message 'Password is required' below it. To the right of the password field is a grey 'Log in' button. Below the 'Log in' button is a link that says 'Forgot your password? Register with a code'. A blue arrow points from the text 'Click here Register with code.' in the footer to this link.

Click here
Register with code.



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RESPONSIBILITY

Student Details

Please enter your details.

First Name*

Last Name*

Email Address* (you will use this to login, so be careful!)

View privacy policy [here](#).

Confirm Email*

Create Password*

Password is required

Confirm Password*

Select your form from the following list:

Form



Enter details

- Put in your details, you must include your school email address.
- Select your science class(not tutor group) this is on your timetable, google classroom and your teacher will tell you.
- If you select the incorrect class, your work will not be seen by your teacher and a detention will be issued.



Select your form from the following list:

Form

-- Please select a form --

All fields marked with an asterisk (*) are compulsory.

They are then in!

- The expectation is to keep up with their daily goal of questions.

Expectation:

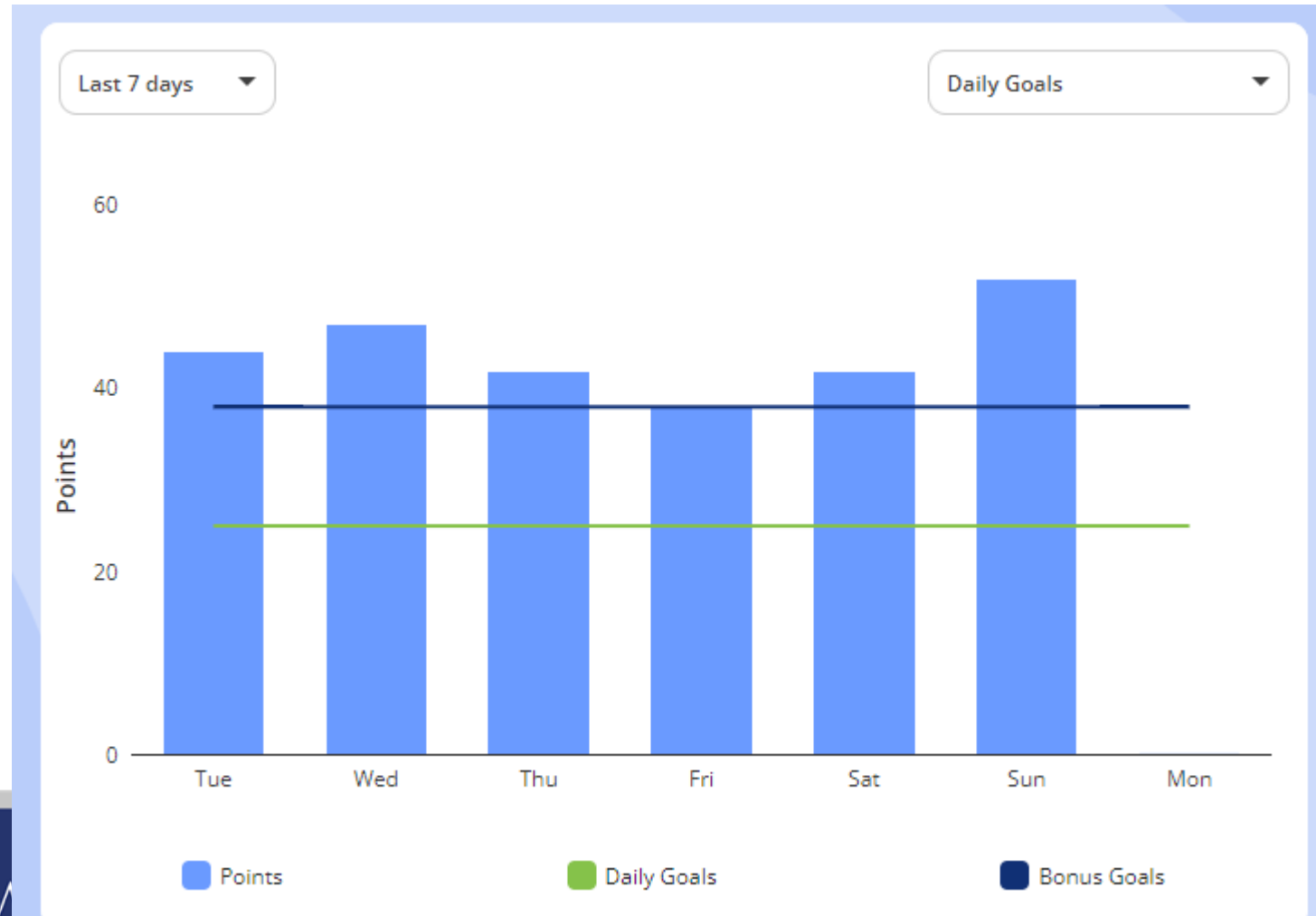
- 4 daily goals between Friday and the following Thursday 8am.
- NOTE: you must check your graph that 4 are completed in the 7 days up to the Thursday 8am deadline.

Only correct answers count, you must complete the green ring and get your “present” of XP (points)



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- Eg completion date is 17th November 8am. 4 daily goals must be completed between November 11th and 17th.



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TASSOMAI

Quiz Analyse

XP Lvl 0

Daily Goal

0/30

30 more questions to go today!

Take a quiz!

P207: Magnetism & Electromagnetism

Target: 3/4

Go!

P206: Waves

Target: 3/4

Go!

This ring will need to be completed for the day to count

Choose a quiz

Meet your daily goal!

Days will only count from Friday to Thursday 8am

You can only do 1 days worth of Tassomai on any one day (can't do all week in 1 day)



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You can also download the app!

Once you have registered you can login via the app – available on all platforms.

Keep your wheel green,
little and often.

You **can't go back** and achieve a daily goal, so remember everyday!



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TASSOMAI
The Learning Program

E-mail

Password

Log in

[Forgot your password?](#)

FAQs

How to reset a password:

On the login page, select the “forgotten password” button underneath the password box. This will send a reminder to your school email address.

If you still cannot log in – simply contact our IT team who will help you.

How many tasks to complete:

Tassomai - 4 daily goals between Friday and Thursday 8am

Bedrock – Y7-9: 2 lessons/20 points, Y10-11: 3 lessons/30 points

Sparx – 100% complete of set tasks

How many have I completed?

On your homepages on each site, there will be an overview of where you are.

Holiday expectations:

All homework) should be completed on normal school days. You will not be expected to complete homework on school holiday days, however on the week of return, you will be expected to complete it on each school day back.



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Homework links;

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SPARX - <https://www.sparxmaths.uk/>

TASSOMAI - <https://app.tassomai.com/login>



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Get Ahead!



Every night in the library 3pm – 4pm;
a chance to get homework completed
in a quiet environment with support
from TA's if required.



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