

How to get your students started with Sparx

The first homework hand-out lesson

We've put together a presentation for you to run through with your students on your first homework hand out.

We strongly advise that you follow this. The presentation covers the following points:

- A brief introduction to Sparx
- What's expected of students (e.g bookwork and deadlines)
- How to complete Sparx homework
- An opportunity to practice doing Sparx homework (n.b. in order to do this, students need to be able to use a computer/tablet to access the Internet during the lesson)
- Sparx reward system
- How students can access their homework
- Generating invite codes for students so they can access their accounts



Alongside the presentation detailed above we have also created a reference document that explains to students how to complete their Sparx homework. You may want to print this off for your students and ask them to stick it in their books. This is also available on the knowledge base.

This presentation is available on the Knowledge Base but please let your Sparx Liaison know if you'd like it emailed to you.

How to get your students logged in for the first time

Sparx takes security very seriously and has designed a robust password generation and hand-out process to ensure students' login information isn't compromised.

Students' passwords are generated by Sparx and cannot be chosen by students. If a student forgets their password you can generate them a new one. To find out how to do this, please read the article entitled "How to find a student's login details and reset their password" on the Knowledge Base or talk to your Sparx Leader.

Follow the steps below to hand out your students' login information.

- 1 Open Teacher Portal and go to the Student Manager page under the More tab.
- 2 Select the relevant class at the top of the page.
- 3 Select all of the students in your class by clicking the top tickbox to select all.
- 4 Then press "Generate invite codes" in the top right of the page.
- 5 Each student will now have a unique invite code that they can use to find out their password.
- 6 Press the "View invite codes" button to generate a print-friendly list of student usernames and invite codes (see example pictured).
- 7 We strongly advise cutting this list up and handing each line of student information to the relevant student.
- 8 Students can then navigate to the URL listed, fill in some required information (given code and date of birth) and then they'll be able to log in.

sparx Invite Students to Sparx Homework		Expiry date: Tuesday 28th August at 2:03pm	
Important: These details are confidential. Please store this information securely and share each username and invite code only with the student it concerns.			
Name	Username	Invite Code	Address
Veradis Aldis	veradisaldis	586 893	https://edamame.test.sparx.co.uk/student/
Lucia Babbie	luciababbie	155 235	https://edamame.test.sparx.co.uk/student/
Viki Brandtr	vikibrandtr	587 941	https://edamame.test.sparx.co.uk/student/

Information for parents and carers

We've created a flyer for parents and carers that explains what Sparx Maths Homework is. This can be found in the Documents for Parents and Carers section of the Knowledge Base. You may want to email this to parents or print this off for your students to take home with them. This is also available on the knowledge base.

Things to remember

Please advise students not to share passwords

Students can't access their homework unless you've followed the process documented above in the "How to get your students logged in for the first time" section

The easiest way for students to access their homework site is to do the following:

- a) Go to sparx.co.uk/studentlogin on their device
- b) Select their school from the list of schools
- c) Log in with their username and password

