

Parent/Carer User Guide

How do students log in?

Students log in at sparxreader.com. They will need to find their school (Barnwood Park School) and log in using their Sparx Maths details.

Which devices are supported?

Sparx Reader can be accessed on any device that connects to the internet with a web browser.

How can I support my child with their reading?

- Sparx Reader adapts to each student's reading level, so it's important that you don't help by answering questions for them. If you help them, Sparx Reader might think they're a very strong reader and show them books that are too difficult.
- You can help by providing a quiet space and a set amount of time for your child to focus on their reading homework each week.
- The best way to support your child is to ask them about the book they're reading; which aspects they're enjoying, which characters and events they've recently read about or what they think could happen next.

How can I monitor the reading my child is doing?

- You are able to keep track of your child's reading by clicking through the link to the Parent Portal in your Sparx Maths weekly homework email.
- On the Parent Portal, you can choose to view homework progress for any Sparx Learning system your child is using. For Sparx Reader, you can see progress with the current and previous homework, and browse books that your child has been reading as part of their current homework.
- When your child finishes their book, we will send you an email celebrating their achievement!

What support is available at Barnwood Park School?

- Students have Sparx Reader homework set every Wednesday and have a 7-day completion window
- Students can attend Homework Clinics at lunchtime or afterschool to help them complete their homework. At lunchtime, Y7 can use DT6 and Y8 & Y9 can use the school library. Afterschool, students can use the library from 15:15 – 16:00.

If you have any questions, please contact your child's English teacher or Mrs Fitzgerald-Johnson (Head of English).