# SWEYNE PARK SCHOOL

## A Very Warm Welcome!







"Sometimes we can only find our true direction when we let the wind of change carry us." **Mimi Novic.** 



## Welcome to Year 7

Head of Year: Mr Price

i/c Year 7: Mrs Welch- Deputy Headteacher



## Purpose



- To outline the school's expectations for behaviour, attendance, and homework, alongside the support for learning available.
- To provide an overview of the curriculum and tutor time programme, including how learning is organised and how pupils are supported in their personal development.
- To explain how we report on progress and use Go 4 Schools to monitor attainment, behaviour, and attendance.
- To highlight the importance of online safety and wellbeing, and the support systems in place for pupils.



## **School Culture**



Ready (for learning)

Respectful (behaviours)

Safe (conduct)



## **Basic School Rules**



- Be ready, respectful and safe
- HANDS OFF POLICY
- Mobiles phones should not be in use
- Chewing gum and energy drinks are not allowed in schools
- No wearing rings, hoop or dangly earring.
- Shirts tucked in
- Skirts <u>NOT</u> rolled up
- Tights not knee-high socks
- Top buttons must be done up



## **Behavioural Policy**



- Respect reminder
- Classroom consequence
- Teacher detention break/lunch/after school (HoD support if required)
- Persistent poor behaviour or significant incidents lead to a room removal from lesson...with a follow up



## Rewards/Sanctions



| Points<br>Awarded | Reward  |
|-------------------|---|
| 50                | Bronze Postcard                                 |
| 100               | Silver Certificate                              |
| 200               | Gold Commendation                               |
| 350               | Bronze badge<br>Call from Tutor                 |
| 400               | Silver Badge<br>Call from HOY                   |
| 450               | Gold Badge<br>Call from Mrs Welch (Deputy Head) |
| End of Year       | Reward Trip                                     |

- Negative points
- Respect reminder
- Classroom consequence
- Class removal
- Detentions
- Centralised detention
- Isolation



#### Importance of attendance



#### Social

Greater opportunity to develop social skills

#### Academic

 Pupils with 95–100% attendance in Year 11 were 3x more likely to have better outcomes than pupils with 85–90% attendance

#### **Financial**

- Persistently absent pupils (attendance at less than 90%) at secondary school could earn £10,000 less by age 28.
- Every day missed between Years 7–11 could cost around £750 in future earnings.\*

#### **Essential Equipment**

- Black or blue pens (at least two)
- Pencil and rubber
- Ruler (30cm)
- Pencil sharpener
- Highlighter
- Scientific calculator (Casio fx-85GT CW)
- Compass and protractor
- Whiteboard pen (blue or black)
- Glue stick
- School bag large enough to carry books and equipment



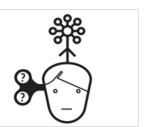
#### Extra Curricular Clubs



- The timetable for all our clubs can be found on the school website.
- Most clubs take place after school (3.05 to 4.05).
- Clubs will start from 22<sup>nd</sup> September.
- PE clubs have already started.
- Encourage your child to participate in a least 1 club!

#### The Cornerstones of Learning

#### **PREPARE**



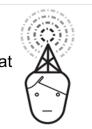
I arrive ready to learn and prepared for a challenge. I know that preparing means more than just turning up. I have to

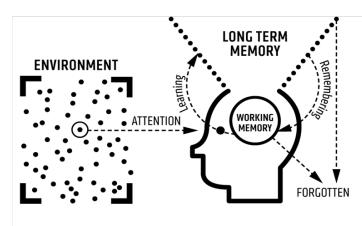
- think ahead
- recall what I know
- get ready to connect ideas

I take responsibility for my learning by

- engaging fully
- focussing my attention on what is important
- listening to others and contributing positively







**Environment-** The place where you learn

Attention- You can only learn what you pay attention to.

Learning- A long-term change to what you understand

Long-Term memory- Your brain's unlimited storage area.

Remembering When you remember, your brain pulls something

out of long-term memory so you can use it right now.

**Working memory-** Your brain working hard on the current problem

**Forgotten** If you don't revisit what you've learned you risk forgetting important information.

#### LEARN



I know that learning means a long term change in what I know or can do. This means

- Doing more, thinking hard, and trying again
- Listening to feedback
- Being able to demonstrate this in my work

Mistakes help me grow. Checking my understanding shows what I can remember and where I need help to strengthen my learning. I check my understanding by

- working independently,
- · answering questions,
- responding to feedback

CHECK





## Year 7 Curriculum



- English
  - Maths
- Science
- History
- Geography
  - French
    - Art
  - Music
  - Drama
    - PE
- Food, Textiles, Design and Technology:
   RM
  - Literacy
  - Religious Education
    - CPE

## **Key Stage 3 Curriculum Organisation 2025-2026**

Pupils are in the same set across a number of subjects.

# Literacy Based Subjects

- English
- Literacy
- Reading
- MFL
- Geography
- History
- RE

#### **Stem Subjects**

- Maths
- Science
- Digital Literacy

# **Key Stage 3 Curriculum Organisation 2025-2026**

## **Tutor Group Subjects**

- Art
- CP
- Drama
- Music

#### **DT Subjects**

No change: Set across the band

#### PE

No change: Set across the band





GCSE Options 2023-25 EBacc GCSE Options 2023-25 Open





Online Option forms:

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Home

EBacc Pathway Open Pathway

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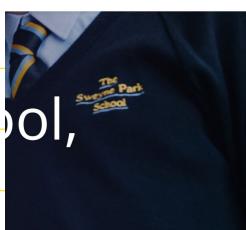
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- → Curriculum Overview
- → Curriculum Intents
- → KS4 Options ... Subject Information
- → Home Learning



#### **Key Stage 3 Assessment**

- Each pupil has a **minimum target grade** for each subject, which they are expected to attain by the end of the academic year.
- Pupils are assessed in each of the Key Performance Indicators
   (KPIs) for each subject studied. These assessments contribute towards the tracked grade which can be seen on the Go4Schools pupils page.
- Detailed information about performance on each KPI can be found on the progress tab on the Go4Schools app.



## Go 4 Schools: Progess



Overview



Attendance



Homework



Inbox



**Progress** 



Reports



Timetable



Documents



KPI 7.1 -Identify and interpret information from a range of texts

KPI 7.2- Explain the construction of meaning and effects using language, structure and form

KPI 7.3 - Assess and compare ideas, perspectives and texts

KPI 7.4 - Evaluate texts critically and offer a personal and critical response

KPI 7.5 - Craft language and structural devices to suit Form, Purpose and Audience

KPI 7.6 - Write with technical accuracy through sentence structure, punctuation, vocabulary and spelling

KPI 7.7 - Comment on the significance of context

### **Assessment Grading Key Stage 3**

| Assessment Grade  | Guidance  |
|-------------------|---|
| Not accessing yet | Pupils are not accessing enough content across parts of the Year 7/8/9 curriculum yet.  |
| Emerging          | Pupils emerging show basic understanding, apply a few concepts and skills in a limited way, and use some subject-specific vocabulary correctly.  Pupils are on track for GCSE Grade 1-3 or Level 1 (P1; M1; D1).  |
| Developing        | Pupils developing can remember facts, terms, and definitions. They show understanding of various concepts and skills by explaining, demonstrating, summarising, or interpreting information.  Pupils are on track for GCSE Grade 4 or Level 2 (P2).   |
| Securing          | Pupils securing have a good understanding of key concepts and can use or demonstrate their knowledge and skills independently.  Pupils are on track for GCSE Grade 5-6 or Level 2 (M2).   |
| Mastering         | Pupils mastering have a deep understanding of key concepts and apply/demonstrate their knowledge and skills with confidence and precision across a range of contexts. They consistently work independently and show strong analytical and problem-solving abilities.  Pupils are on track for GCSE Grade 7-9 or Level 2 (D2; S2). |

#### **How do we Determine Progress at Key Stage 3?**

A child's **progress** is measured by comparing their **tracked grade** against their **minimum target grade**. This will enable us to see whether a pupil is above, in line with, or below expected progress.

Reports are written each term and teachers record whether pupils are making:

- Above expected progress
- Expected progress
- Below expected progress.



# Go 4 Schools: Progess Reports



| Subject          | Tracked<br>Grade | Attitude to<br>Learning | Homework<br>Effort | Progress<br>Grade |
|------------------|------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Art & Design     | Securing         | Good                    | Excellent          | Expected progress |
| CPE              | Fully engaging   | Excellent               | Good               | Expected progress |
| D&T RM           | Developing       | Excellent               | Excellent          | Expected progress |
| Digital Literacy | Securing         | Excellent               | Excellent          | Expected progress |
| Drama            | Emerging         | Good                    | Excellent          | Expected progress |
| English          | Emerging         | Good                    | Good               | Expected progress |

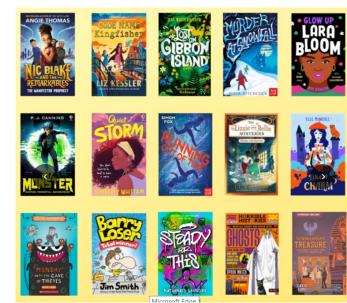


## Literacy Reading



## Pupils should read for 20 minutes each day

- Year 7 Good Reads' list
- Book buzz
- Reading assessments
- Reading interventions:
- ➤ 1:1 or small group
- Lexia online reading programme
- Peer support: Year 11 prefect/Sixth Former



#### Homework

Set on the Go4Schools platform

The suggested standardised amount of time per homework according to age, per subject per week:

| Year 7: | 15—20 mins |
|---------|------------|
| Year 8: | 15—20 mins |
| Year 9: | 20—25 mins |
| Year 10 | 20—30 mins |
| Year 11 | 25—30 mins |

#### **Homework**

- Teachers should be setting at least the suggested minimum amount of home learning for each class they teach per week.
- Online platforms can be used to support homework;
- At KS3 homework tasks will include knowledge retrieval and practise;
   integrating some challenging pre/reading material; subject literacy and spelling.
- No next day homework to be set and pupils should have a suggested minimum of 48 hours to complete.
- Homework should be completed fully and to a high standard or else re-issued followed by an appropriate sanction if not addressed.

#### **Sparx Online Learning**



 Pupils will have weekly Sparx homework that must be completed online.

Sparx Reader

- Maths will be set on a **Tuesday** and due the following **Tuesday**.
- Science will be set on a **Thursday** and due the following **Thursday**.
- Reader will be set on a Wednesday and due the following Wednesday.

Sparx Science • If pupils do not complete the Sparx homework, they will receive a detention.

Please encourage your child not to use AI to complete Sparx tasks.

This is easily detected!



## Organisation/Meeting Deadlines



#### **Organisation**:

- Time management of home learning;
- Complete home learning on the day set
- Seek support early
- ➤ Go4School App



## Online Learning



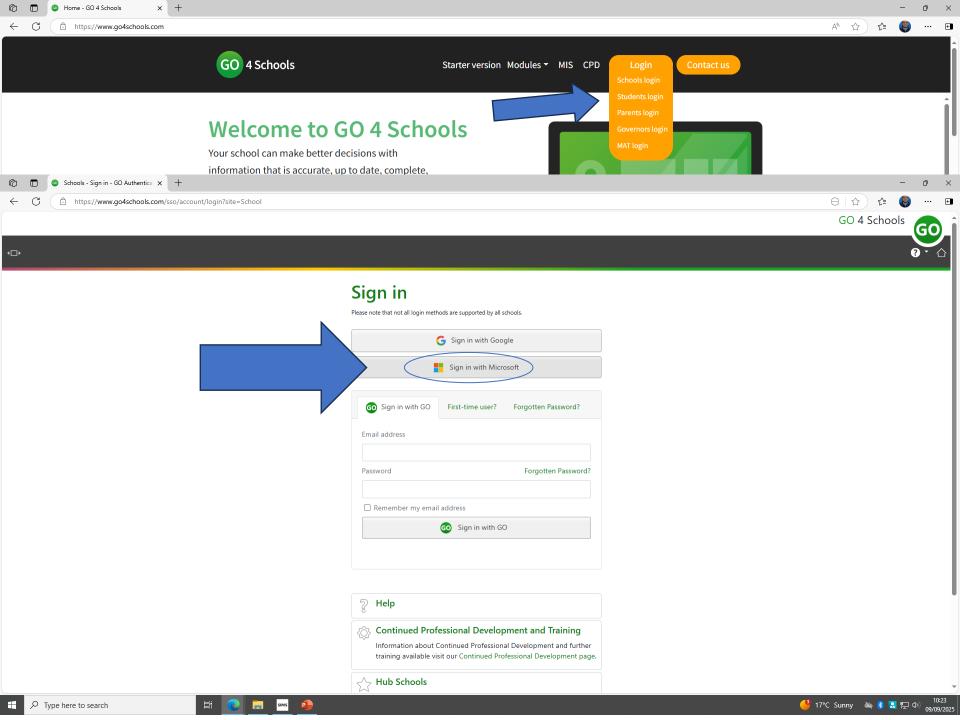


# **Sparx Science**

Change to updated Sparx Slide



# **Sparx Maths**

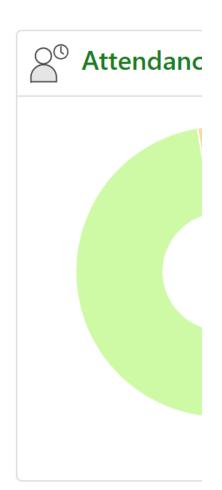


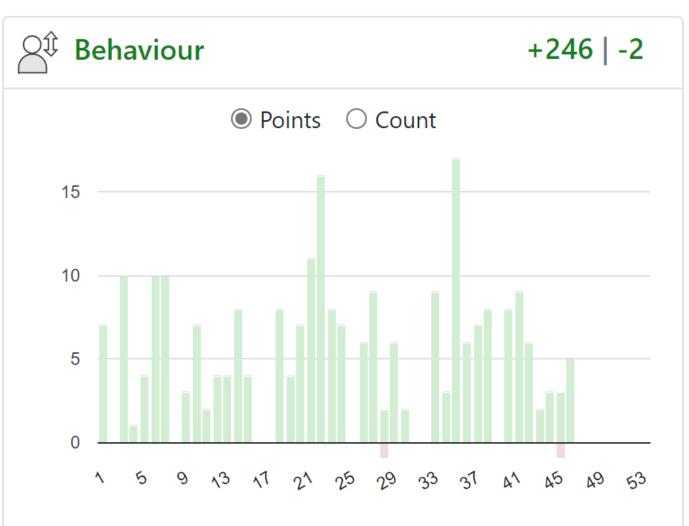


## Go 4 Schools: Parent View



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## Go 4 School: Attendance



Attendance summary

Calendar view

#### **Attendance**

#### Summary session attendance

|                               |              | Sessions | %      |
|-------------------------------|--------------|----------|--------|
| Present                       | ightharpoons | 370      | 97.37% |
| Approved educational activity |              | 0        | 0%     |
| Authorised absence            | ightharpoons | 10       | 2.63%  |
| Unauthorised absence          |              | 0        | 0%     |
| Unknown                       |              | 0        | 0%     |
| Late                          |              | 2        | 0.53%  |

Session attendance marks of various types, expressed as a raw figure and as a percentage of the maximum possible session attendance over the whole year.



## Go 4 Schools: Attendance



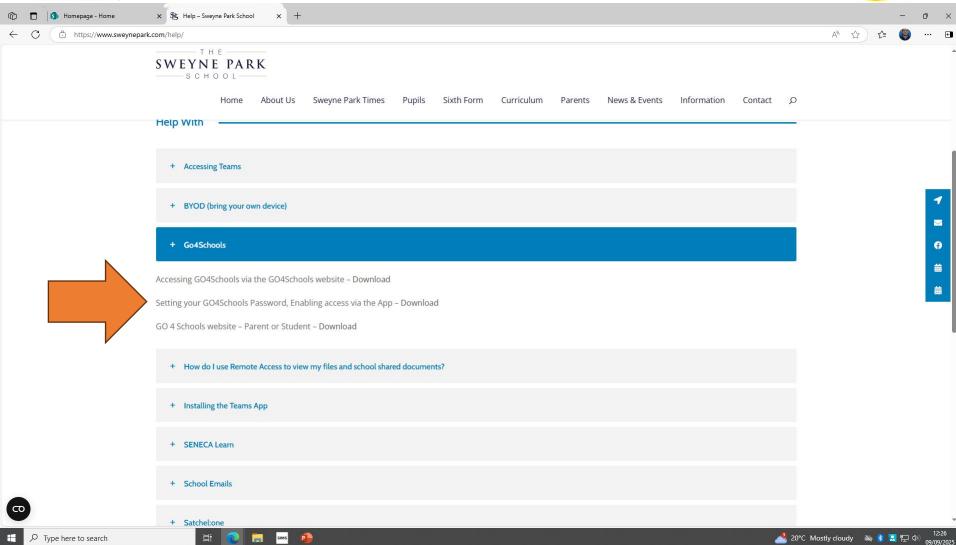
### Lesson attendance by subject

| Subject          | Unknown | Late | % Attendance |
|------------------|---------|------|--------------|
| Art & Design     |         |      |              |
| СРЕ              | 2       | 0    | 91.2         |
| D&T Food         | 1       | 0    | 88.6         |
| D&T RM           |         |      |              |
| D&T Textiles     | 4       | 0    | 82.8         |
| Digital Literacy | 1       | 0    | 91.3         |
|                  | 1       | 0    | 96.0         |
|                  |         |      |              |



## Online Support







# How will pupils' learning be supported



- Class Level: Teacher support
- Department Level: Learning Support
- Tutor Time: Pastoral Support
- Hub: Well-being support



## **Tutor Time Curriculum**



Monday = Memo Monday Assembly

Tuesday = Timetable Tuesday
Character Development

**Wednesday** = Wellbeing Wednesday

**Thursday** = Thought Provoking Thursday **Literacy and Tutor Time Reading** 

**Friday** = Film Friday



## Social Media



### Things to look out for...

#### **RØBLOX**



















## Mental Well Being



- Make time for exercise
- Eat well
- Start early to avoid stress and build up of work
- Ask for help early on
- Avoid distractions for effective use of time
- Good sleep routine
- Build in rest time



## **Key Dates**



- Settling in grades 3<sup>rd</sup> October
- Flu vaccinations 25<sup>th</sup> November

- Parent's Evening 5<sup>th</sup> February
- Assessment Week 8<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> June



## Contacts



Subject teachers

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