

PARKSIDE MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you had an enjoyable Christmas break. I wanted to let you know about a change we are making to our homework policy for Year 6 students. Starting this week, homework will make use of the revision guides (which have been given out today) for both maths and English. Homework will now be set on Wednesdays and will now be due in on Tuesdays.

These homeworks are short ten minute tasks to practise skills. Other Year 6 homework will be stopped from this point until after the KS2 testing, this way the pupils should not be receiving more homework than normal across the term.

Please make sure your child has written their name on the front of their revision guides. We strongly suggest that you cut the answers out of the back of the revision guides and store these separately. A few more are still available for the pupils that have not already purchased them.

Year 6 homework will now change to:

- Two maths and times tables practice
- Two English and spellings

We understand that completing homework can be challenging for some students, and we want to provide them with the support they need to succeed. To that end, we have established a special catchup club run by maths and English specialists on Tuesday lunchtimes. Any students who do not hand in their homework on Tuesday will be required to attend this club so that it is ready to be handed-in and reviewed on Wednesday. In addition to this, the usual homework club the school provides will run every day during lunchtimes for pupils to access support if required.

We believe that consistent homework completion is an important part of a student's academic success, and we want to do everything we can to help our year 6 students reach their full potential.

Thank you for your understanding and support. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely, Mr J Durnall



As a school we establish and maintain an environment where children feel secure, are listened to and encouraged to talk.

Parkside Middle School is committed to safeguarding and the PREVENT strategy and promoting the welfare of children and young people. We expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Pupils learn to accept and uphold our fundamental British values.