



9th September 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Home Learning:

At The Bourne Academy home learning is used to reinforce, develop and establish concepts and skills that have been taught in lessons within each curriculum area, as well as to support preparation for their next learning topic. Home learning is valuable to support independent practice, study skills and self-discipline.

The Bourne Academy uses an online platform, 'Satchel One' to support communication with parents, carers and students regarding home learning. There are a number of online platforms that are utilized by different subjects to support home learning. The main platforms are 'Sparx' for Maths and 'Bedrock' for English. These platforms will work on a range of devices, including laptops, tablets and phones.

The Academy is aware that many of these platforms will be new to students, so to help them build confidence with these we will introduce them in lessons first. Students will be given a demonstration of how to use Sparx within their Maths lessons and will be taken to computer rooms during English to login to Bedrock and gain experience in using this homework platform. Spanish homework this year will be set on "The Language Gym" - <https://uk.language-gym.com/>. Over the next few weeks students will be getting their login details in lessons and will be practising using the website. If there are any technical issues when using these websites, please email their class teacher or ask the students to send a message on Satchel One.

To ensure students have been shown how to use these platforms, home learning will commence as follows:

- Maths homework will commence the week of 9 September 2024
- Science homework will commence the week of 16 September 2024
- English homework will commence the week of 23 September 2024
- All other subjects will commence the week of 9 September 2024, depending on when students have their subject lessons.

Students will be rewarded for the completion of homework to a good standard through our house points system. Should a student be struggling with their homework please contact their tutor or Head of Year, so we can support your child. We offer homework club on a Tuesday and Thursday to support any student who may face challenges with access to internet or who requires a structured learning environment with support from staff.

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Satchel One: A fantastic way to record, track and monitor homework at The Bourne Academy.

We will continue to use ‘Satchel One’, previously known as ‘Show My Homework’, the online tool to help you keep track of your child’s homework. Satchel One is extremely useful, allowing you to see the details of the tasks your child has been set, all their deadlines and their submission status and grades. This system gives you greater visibility into the homework we set and empowers you to support your child with managing their time to meet deadlines.

If your child is in Year 7, you will be provided with login details to your personal account, which is linked to your child’s homework calendar, where you will be able to see your child’s ‘To-do List’ and any homework that is overdue. **These logins will be sent out in week commencing 9 September 2024**, after launching Satchel One with Year 7. In the meantime, your child should be able to login to their account to show you any homework that has been set.

Satchel One allows:

- 24/7 access
- Viewing the quality and quantity of homework set
- Translation into over 50 languages
- Apps available for iPhone, iPad, iPod Touch and Android devices
- Receiving of automated notifications before homework is due.

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We will be launching Satchel One this week with Year students. In the interim, the form below shows how a student can login via the Satchel One website [Satchel One | Login](#)

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We hope that this service will provide you with a deeper insight into the homework your child receives. More importantly, we hope that it will support your child’s organisation, time-management and help them to keep on top of their workload.



To keep up to date please download the Satchel One app once you receive your login details, you will then be sent push notifications to let you know what homework is due. You will also be notified of grades, overdue homework and announcements/events.

If you or your child have any questions about the service, please do not hesitate to get in touch with the team at Satchel One, who are always happy to help. Just call 0207 197 9550.

If you would like to get in touch with the school or provide feedback, please contact the IT team at Support@thebourneacademy.com

Further information regarding the online platforms used regularly at The Bourne Academy can be found on our website [The Bourne Academy online platforms](#) This link provides details on how to login and their use.

Thank you once again for your support,




Yours faithfully,

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