



Dear Parent / Carer,

To further support our scholars in developing strong homework routines, and in response to feedback from parents and scholars, we have made a few adjustments to our KS3 homework processes. These changes are designed to make homework expectations clearer, provide additional support, and ensure a more consistent approach to completion.

Homework Deadlines

Homework remains an important part of helping scholars revisit and strengthen learning from lessons. KS3 homework continues to be completed online through Carousel, Sparx Maths and Sparx Reader, with Music and Art continuing to set homework according to their own curriculum plans.

To make deadlines easier to remember and create greater consistency, homework will now be due on **Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday** each week.

Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Y7		Science KO Quiz	Sparx Maths	Sparx Reader	Geography KO Quiz
Y8		Sparx Maths	Science KO Quiz	Sparx Reader	Geography KO Quiz
Y9		Science KO Quiz	Sparx Maths	Sparx Reader	Geography KO Quiz

Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Y7		History KO Quiz	Sparx Maths	Sparx Reader	Other KO Quiz
Y8		Sparx Maths	History KO Quiz	Sparx Reader	Other KO Quiz
Y9		History KO Quiz	Sparx Maths	Sparx Reader	Other KO Quiz

Homework Support Club

Homework Support will now be available to all scholars after school every day except Tuesday.

This is an opportunity for scholars to:

- Access a computer
- Receive support from staff
- Complete homework in a quiet environment
- Resolve any issues accessing online platforms

Any scholar is welcome to attend and we encourage families to make use of this support where needed.





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Homework Detentions

Where homework remains incomplete by 8:30am on the day it is due, a **40-minute Homework Detention** will be issued.

During this time, scholars will be supported to complete the missed homework and receive any help they need.

Please note that once a Homework Detention has been issued, scholars are expected to stay in the detention until 3.50pm, even if the homework is completed later that day or before the detention takes place. During the detention, they will be able to complete any upcoming homework. The detention is issued because the homework deadline has been missed and attendance is therefore still required.

Rewards

We are committed not only to holding scholars accountable for homework completion, but also to recognising and celebrating success.

Any scholar who achieves **100% homework completion across a two-week cycle** will receive a reward in recognition of their effort and consistency.

Improved Communication

To help families support homework routines at home, parents and carers will now receive an **MCAS notification every Monday** outlining homework deadlines for the week ahead.

In addition, homework deadlines and completion information will soon be displayed on screens around the academy to help remind scholars of upcoming work.

Supporting Your Child

The most valuable support parents can provide is encouraging regular completion rather than leaving tasks until the deadline.

Carousel saves progress automatically, meaning scholars can complete homework in small chunks throughout the week. A simple conversation such as "What homework do you have due this week?" can make a significant difference in helping scholars stay organised and develop positive habits.

Thank you for your continued support. By working together, we can help scholars develop the knowledge, habits and routines that will support their success both in school and beyond.

Yours sincerely,

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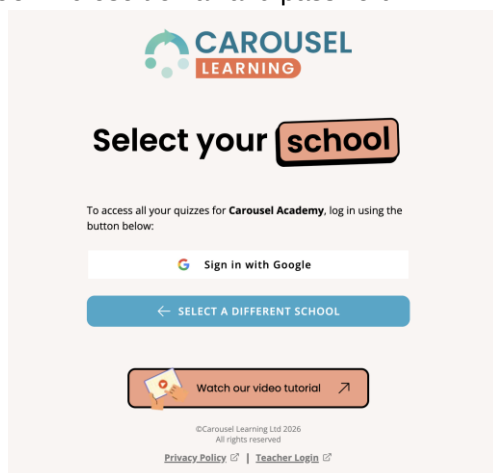


Appendix: Guidance for Logging In to Carousel

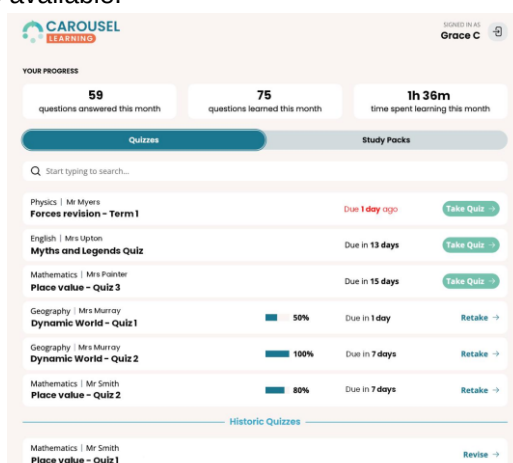
- Go to student.carousel-learning.com/login
- You will be prompted to enter your school's name (Astrea Academy Woodfields). Once you have logged in, this will save on your device making it easier next time.



- You will be asked to enter your **school** Microsoft email and password.



- These details will be stored so if you are using a personal device you won't have to enter them each time. Remember to log out of your Google or Microsoft account if you are using a shared device.
- Your Homepage dashboard has one tab that will display the Quizzes your teachers have set for you, and one that will display all the Study Packs that are available.



- Clicking on the title of the Quiz or Study Pack will open it and you can revise, answer, review and submit as usual. Carousel will remember where you are up to in a quiz if you need to complete it in more than one session.
- When you have submitted the quiz, you will have the option to return to the homepage.