

## **Mathematics Department Newsletter**

### Autumn Term 2025

#### **Equipment**

For each Mathematics lesson we ask that students bring the correct equipment; pen, pencil, ruler, protractor (360 degrees is best), compass and **scientific** calculator.

Most supermarkets and online retailers, like Amazon, Tesco, Asda, sell the above equipment. If there are any issues in obtaining this equipment then please can you make us aware. With this in mind, we have decided to pilot a Maths Shop. We will have a limited stock of rulers, protractors, compasses and calculators for purchase from D11 (Ms Hopkins' room) after school. Students are expected to have this equipment and will face sanction for repeatedly forgetting.

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#### **Maths Shop Price List**

Casio Scientific Calculator £10
Oxford Maths Set £2
Protractor 50p
Compass 50p

#### **News from Summer Term 2024**

The Maths department has encountered some changes since the Summer Term. Mrs Bentley retired from teaching, and Mrs Hunt has taken on the formidable role of permanent Head of Year. We have therefore welcomed two new members of staff, Mrs Pope and Ms Bishop who are already settling into Bryntirion. We're sure the pupils will make them very welcome.



Year 7 and 8 finished the year with our project booklets,
Above and Beyond for Year 7 and One World for Year 8.
The pupils love the real world contexts and the practical side of maths!

#### **Websites**

Some of our Maths homework tasks will be set online via MathsWatch or MyMaths.

Year 7 are set two new MyMaths homework tasks every week.

Students will be given login details for one or both of these in lesson time.

MathsWatch also allows students to watch videos and set tasks for themselves which may be helpful for extra practise or at home revision.

Other websites we recommend are corbett-maths.co.uk, bbcbitesize and mathedup, mathsmadeeasy, mathsdiy.com, revisegcsemaths.co.uk, ttrockstars.com

## Dates for the diary



We plan for Years 7-10 to have Assessment (Test)1 during the week before or after October half term. This will be confirmed by individual class teachers and uploaded to Classcharts.



Exam	Class/Year Group	Date of Assessment
GCSE Numeracy Unit 1 & 2	Year 11 Set 2,3,4,5	November 4th & 6th 2025
GCSE Mathematics Unit 1 & 2	Year 11 Set 1	November 10th & 12th 2025
GCSE Numeracy Unit 1 & 2	RESITS ONLY	May 7th & June 3rd 2026
GCSE Mathematics Unit 1 & 2	Year 11 Set 2,3,4,5	May 14th & June 10th 2026
NEW GCSE Unit 1 (Calculator)	Year 10	12th May 2026
NEW GCSE Unit 2 (Non Calculator)	Year 10	June 4th 2026
AS Unit 1	Year 12	May 13th 2026
AS Unit 2	Year 12	May 22nd 2026
A2 Unit 3	Year 13	June 3rd 2026
A2 Unit 4	Year 13	June 11th 2026

#### **Parent Classes**

Bridgend College offers classes for parents who would like some help with their Maths in order to support their children. The classes on offer are below. Please contact crroberts@bridgend.ac.uk for more information.

Maths for Parents: Year 7 & 8 Curriculum (Group 1) - Monday 6.30pm to 8.30pm - Face-to-Face at Bryntirion Comprehensive School or Live Online

Maths for Parents: Year 7 & 8 Curriculum (Group 2) - Thursday 6.30pm to 8.30pm - Face-to -Face at Bryntirion Comprehensive School or Live Online

Maths for Parents: Year 9 Curriculum (Group 1) - Wednesday 6.30pm to 9pm - Live Online

Maths for Parents: Year 9 Curriculum (Group 2) - Thursday 12.15pm to 2.45pm - Face-to-Face at Bridgend College (Bridgend Campus) or Live Online

Maths for Parents: New Foundation GCSE Curriculum (Group 1) - Wednesday 6.30pm to 9pm - Live Online

Maths for Parents: New Foundation GCSE Curriculum (Group 2) - Thursday 12.15pm to 2.45pm - Face-to-Face at Bridgend College (Bridgend Campus) or Live Online

Maths for Parents: New Higher GCSE Curriculum - Tuesday 6.30pm to 9pm - Live Online