Mathematics Department Newsletter (Summer Term 1)

Examinations 2025

GCSE and A level examinations have begun and will continue after the May Half Term. As per the last newsletter the dates are as follows

Numeracy GCSE Unit 1	May 8th
Mathematics GCSE Unit 1	May 15th
Numeracy GCSE Unit 2	June 4th
Mathematics GCSE Unit 2	June 11th
Additional Mathematics GCSE	June 17th
Mathematics Unit 1 AS	May 14th
Mathematics Unit 2 AS	May 23rd
Mathematics Unit 3 A Level	June 4th
Mathematics Unit 4 A Level	June 12th

Junior Maths Challenge 2025

On 1st May, some of our Year 7 and 8 pupils took part in the Junior Maths Challenge and achieved some fantastic results. We are particularly pleased with Ieuan Smith, Dylan Davies and Arush Murthy who have been invited to take part in the Junior Kangaroo challenge!

Gold: Ieuan Smith (Best in School), Dylan Davies, Arush Murthy, Curtis Nevens, Adam Mohamed.

Silver: Rhys Lewis (Year 7, Best in Year), William Morris, Jack Turner, Lucas Morgan, Jack Wilson, Wallace Dykes, Lucas Jenkins, Miles Thomas and Benjamin Westlake.

Bronze: Jacob Miles (Year 7), Freddie Clarke (Year 7), Dewi Power, Logan Burns, Nathan Lundbeck, James Phelps, Harry Brooks, Samuel Francis, Isla Berry, Harley Hemming, Michal Starynowicz, Charlie Tune, Theo Tomsett, Katalina Cobuen, Thomas Flower, Evan Song, Evie Ward, Oliver Jones, Alfie Rose, Ruben Safwan, Lily Thomas, Ethan Tossell, Elsie Jones and Osian Phillips.

Websites

Some of our Maths home-work tasks will be set online via MathsWatch or MyMaths.

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

Students will be given log-in 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 practice or at home revision.

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

Achievements

Well done to Sophie Phillips in Year 12 who took part in the Introduction to Problem Solving workshops run by the Maths Support Programme Wales.
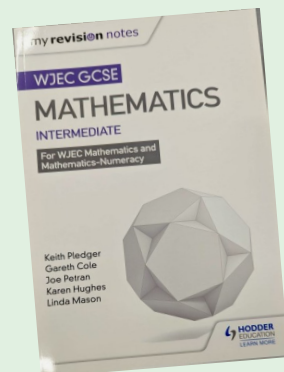
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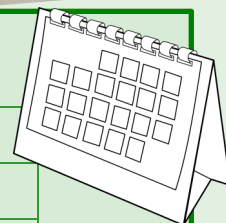MSPW

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Mathematics and Numeracy Revision Guides

We have a supply of WJEC GCSE **Intermediate** Revision Guides available to purchase from Ms Wear. They are priced at £10 each (£2 cheaper than online).

Dates for the Diary – National Tests

Year Group	Date of Assessment
Year 9	W/C 12th May and W/C 19th May
Year 8	W/C 16th June and W/C 23rd June
Year 7	W/C 16th June and W/C 23rd June

Year 7 and 8 Examinations

Examination timetables have now been issued for Year 7 and 8. Exams will take place w/c Monday 9th June. All pupils in these year groups have been issued **two revision Mathswatch exercises**, one non calculator and one calculator, in line with the two maths exams they will sit during the week.

These have been issued alongside their regular weekly homework. The homeworks have been designed to support the pupils' revision, in addition to using the revision lists also provided. It is advisable that pupils' use the video links as well as the homework to ensure their understanding of each topic.

Equipment (Including calculators)

Each pupil will require their equipment in a clear pencil case, including a protractor and a scientific calculator. As a department we are unable to supply calculators for the exams, however it is of huge benefit to all pupils to own and use their own calculator. Scientific calculators differ slightly between manufacturers, with functions appearing in different places or buttons having slightly different notation, which is not helpful in exam conditions!

We are lucky enough to have a supply of Casio Scientific Calculators available to buy in the Maths shop for £10 (less than Amazon) alongside other Maths equipment. Please see Ms Hopkins in D11 to purchase.

After School Revision

There are after school revision sessions for GCSE classes

Monday - Foundation Mathematics

Tuesday - Higher Mathematics

Wednesday - Intermediate Maths and Higher Numeracy

Please ask your class teacher for more details.