

Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 11 Maths

Further to the letter you received last month from Miss Innes, the Head of Maths (copy attached) I am writing to inform you that the next Maths assessments will take place on Tuesday 3rd and Thursday 5th January 2017 during Year 11 assessment week. Students have been advised of this and have been given a copy of the specific revision topics for the assessments (copy attached) to help them target their revision over the holiday period. I would also like to advise you of some additional material which we hope will enable you to support your child's preparation for these and future exams as we work towards the GCSE exams in June.

After every exam we provide an 'AIMS' sheet to students which highlights how they have performed on each individual question on the paper and it enables them to see at a glance which topics they need to revise further. They have just completed another paper last week and students will be given a copy of the AIMS sheet to take home this week. A copy of this latest exam paper together with a copy of the model solutions are attached and we hope that you may be able to use these resources to work with your child at home to help them progress through those questions which they have previously found more demanding. Students are also encouraged to attend the GCSE drop-in at lunchtime and after school on Thursdays in C7 with any specific questions.

It is our intention to provide these resources to you in the same way after each of the 'in class' exam papers and mocks in the coming months, in an effort to provide you with as much assistance as possible in continuing to support your child. We realise you may not always be able to help with specific questions but even encouragement to use some of the supporting resources at this stage can be a real benefit to your child.

There are many additional resources available to your child to support their revision. We cannot recommend enough the importance of the revision guides, accompanying workbooks and solution booklets, revised for the new GCSE, available from the LRC in school for a total of £6.

Additional past papers can also be found on QEHS Moodle which your child can access using their log-in and going to Maths/GCSE past exam papers, and use the AQA (and OCR for extra practice) Linear exam papers. Alternatively they can go to the AQA website and look for Linear past exam papers.

We also direct students to use the Corbettmaths or Mathsgenie websites. These have videos which work through the different levels of exam questions and provide additional questions and solutions for students. As they provide a comprehensive index of topics they work particularly well in tandem with the AIMS sheets guidance.

Students can also login to Mymaths (login: qehs password: prime) and access any of the tutorials to help with revision at every level.

We hope you find these resources useful in the coming months and we would like to thank you for the support and encouragement you continue to provide.

Kind regards

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