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RE: Maths Curriculum

Dear Parent / Carer

As I am sure you are aware, the Maths Curriculum has gone through a quite radical change. The expectation placed upon students to achieve the National benchmark by Year 11 has become more challenging to achieve. To this end and to meet this increased demand, I am writing to you to outline how you can best support your child with their progress and attainment in Maths. This will enable you, as parents / carers, to be able to monitor, help, support and guide them through the extra practice they will need to do to maximise their opportunity to succeed.

All Year 7 and 8 students are expected to have and will have access to the following resources.

Students will have a Collins homework book, which contains a wealth of practice questions, Year 7 homework book 1 and Year 8 homework book 2. Through the summer we have also arranged for students to purchase a progression workbook at a cost of £4.00, which are available from the School Shop. These will also be used during class time.

This progression workbook will be used in association with the homework books. Students will all have access to the online resources provided by MyMaths. All students will also be given an active lesson log in. The emphasis will be placed upon students to practice some Maths every day.

I am asking for your support to make this happen. Please encourage FORENAME to do anything from any of the resources outlined above. Any Maths is GOOD Maths. In short, the more we can do together now, the better position they will be in by the time they start their GCSE course in Year 9.

Students will be advised by their class teacher which progression workbook to get.

Outlined below is a summary of this information:

Pi 1 – 7X4 / 7Y4

Theta 1 – 7X3 / 7Y3

Delta 1 – 7X1 / 7X2 / 7Y1 / 7Y2

Pi 2 – 8X4 / 8Y4

Theta 2 – 8X3 / 8Y3

Delta 2 – 8X1 / 8X2 / 8Y1 / 8Y2

We would also like to inform you that Year 7 will be completing baseline Maths Tests consisting of 3 papers during the week commencing Monday 12th September 2016.

Please feel free to contact your child's Maths teacher in the first instance or myself, if you require any additional information.

Yours sincerely
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