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How to support your child in Maths





Information about the Course

Edexcel GCSE 9-1 1MA1 Course Two Tiers - Sets 1 and 2 follow the Higher course - Sets 3 and 4 follow the Foundation course Assessment - Three 1 hour 30 min papers at the end of Year 11 - Two Calculator and one Non Calculator (equally weighted) Around a 30 mark / 8 question overlap

If a grade 4 isn't achieved requirement to continue to study beyond Y11





Equipment: Please make sure your child has a full set of equipment that they bring to lessons at all times.

As two-thirds of the available marks are on calculator papers, it is essential that your child has a calculator to use on a daily basis so that they can learn how to use it effectively. At school we use the Casio fx-83 GT (pictures of the three versions are shown).

Potential A level Mathematics students may wish to purchase the Casio fx-991ex Classwiz

in preparation for their studies; these may also be used in GCSE Examinations

Although not used as often, a compass and protractor are also essential for some topics.









Revision and Practice: Mathswatch Please encourage your child to

use the resources provided for them to revise effectively.

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vle.MathsWatch.com

This website is perfect for revision at home. Your child often works through revision questions that are set for them by their teacher in computer room lessons and will know their logins. The questions self mark for instant feedback, there is a video clip for support and students can message their Maths teacher for additional help on a question; Maths staff can then see student answers remotely and provide appropriate guidance. A focussed revision task is also set before every assessment to help students structure their revision into manageable chunks. It also works on phones or tablets.

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Individual Question Level Analysis Bar Charts after every assessment





Students Self Tracking Sheet : Climbing the ladder

Papers are out of 80: note the boundaries for the higher paper Regular assessments to help structure the revision – we give students a finite list to revise with a task on mathswatch and then test

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Dec Mock 2H				7- 46 6+ 42	Dec Mock 2F					3+ 45 3= 41	
Dec Mock 3H				6= 39 6- 36	Dec Mock 3F					3- 37 2+ 33	
March Mock 1H				5+ 33 5= 30	March Mock 1F					2= 29 2- 24	
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Revision Guides: We don't recommend any particular revision guides as Mathswatch and practice papers are a far better revision tool. Should you choose to purchase one it needs to cover the Edexcel GCSE 9-1 1MA1 course (Higher Tier for sets 1 and 2, Foundation Tier for sets 3 and 4) **Thursday Revision:** All the Mathematics staff run a general revision class on a Thursday after school from 3pm to 4pm in A213 and A214. Students can work through practice exam papers or their Mathswatch revision task with the support of staff.

Practice Papers: These papers are a valuable resource, provided they are used well. They are meant as a revision tool and not as an assessment. Please encourage your child to complete as much of these as they can by looking up the topics for questions they are struggling with.

Best Guess Papers: During the examination period we provide students with best guess papers based on the topics that have already appeared on the papers. We strongly encourage students to make the most of this resource.