



Mathematics - GCSE Resits

Who is this for?

Students who achieve a Mathematics grade of less than a 5 will be required to resit their GCSE in the Sixth Form and they will be timetabled specific resit lessons. Grade 5 is the new 'threshold' which will be required for future employment, apprenticeships and higher education. Some students who achieve a grade 5 may choose to resit in order to gain a higher grade. These students will need to request to be added to a resit class, and will be asked to pay the exam entry fee.

Content

The course is a year-long revision programme, with three lessons per week, designed to prepare students for exams in the summer of Year 12. It focuses mainly on the content at grades 4 and 5, and we expect to enter most students at the Foundation Tier. (Any students aiming for a grade 6 would be entered for Higher Tier.) Students are required to work outside of lessons and to be pro-active about their studies.

Assessment

We currently enter students for the AQA exams. (The content of all the main exam boards is the same, so it does not matter if they sat a different exam board in Year 11.) There are three exam papers, the first of which is a non-calculator exam. All the exams are 1 hour and 30 minutes long.

There are two opportunities to take examinations: November and June. The November exams come round very quickly, so if students wish to be entered for these exams they need to be revising diligently during the first few weeks of the Sixth Form. Other students may prefer to focus on a year-long revision programme. Students who achieve a grade 5 or more in the November exams can stop attending lessons once they receive their result. This is usually in the January of Year 12.

Future courses and careers

Gaining the best GCSE Maths grade is very important for your future. Currently lots of employers and higher level courses ask for a minimum of a 5 in GCSE Maths.