



Maths “Supergroup” News

WISEMAN GEARS UP!

We thought it would be useful to send the parents of our year 11 “supergroup” a regular newsletter type “thing” to update you on a regular basis as to what topics have been taught and to also provide **some suggestions** to what can be done to further support our students outside the classroom. We know how crucial it is to start preparing for the 9-1 GCSE Maths as early as possible and every little bit of extra work students do in their own time really does make a difference!

The “supergroup” is a large group of students co-taught by myself and Mr Hodgkiss- this is not as drastic as it sounds....it equates to about 20 students each which would be smaller than average if the group was split into two classes. Having these students together means that we can provide highly focussed teaching aimed at ensuring these students achieve their potential...it also means a lot of commitment and effort is required from the students too and so far they have, in the main, really “upped their game”.

At this stage, we are focussing on those topics that appear at the “top” of the Foundation tier and the “bottom” of the Higher tier – regardless of the tier of entry that is finally decided these are the topics that provide a good grounding on which we can build over the next 8 months. To that end, we are doing a mid-term assessment with them soon and we are already pre-empting that some students may need to take some time to practice their basic numeracy skills i.e. adding/subtracting but particularly division using formal written methods and so will be setting them a batch of tasks to complete over half term to support these basic skills.

I hope you will find these updates useful—we will be sending them home every 2 weeks and if there is anything we can do to help please don’t hesitate to contact either of us!

With best wishes *Mrs Memari*


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GCSE MATHS EXAM DATES

PAPER 1—24TH MAY (AM)

PAPER 2—7TH JUNE (AM)

PAPER 3—12TH JUNE (AM)

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