## PCHS Curriculum Information

| Course Title: A Level <br> Further Maths | Exam Board: AQA | Specification Code: 7367 |
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| How will students be assessed? <br> A level Further Mathematics is a linear course which is assessed with three examinations. <br> Each exam is marked out of 100 and lasts for 2 hours. The papers are all calculator papers <br> and are equally weighted, each being worth 33\% of the final mark. Each paper has a mix of <br> question styles varying from short single mark questions to longer unstructured questions. <br> Paper one and paper two examine Pure Mathematical methods only, whilst paper three <br> examines topics from Statistics with either Mechanics or Discrete, depending on the needs of <br> the cohort. The A level syllabus extends and deepens Mathematical understanding and <br> requires students to demonstrate their skills and knowledge through the application of <br> problem-solving techniques and with the use of clear, precise and appropriate mathematical <br> language. |  |  |

## KEY CONTENT

## Half Term 1

Vectors and matrices:
Vectors - equations of planes, cross product
Matrices - determinants of $3 \times 3$, solving simultaneous equations in 3 unknowns, factorising Eigenvectors and eigenvalues

Further algebra and graphs
Differential equations:
First order differential equations
Second order differential equations
Half Term 2
Further calculus:
Improper integrals
Inverse trigonometric functions
Trig substitution
Conics:
Composite transformations
Polar coordinates:
Area enclosed by a polar curve
Series and limits:
The Maclaurin series
The method of differences using partial fractions
Limits

| Half Term 3 |
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| Numerical methods: |
| Numerical Integration |
| Numerical Differential Equation |
| Complex numbers: |
| de Moivre's theorem |
| Further Mechanics: |
| Kinematics in two dimensions |
| Equilibrium and resolving |
| Statics and dynamics |
| Moments |
| Half Term 4 |
| Hyperbolic functions: |
| Further Hyperbolic Functions |
| Inverse Hyperbolic Functions |
| Further Integration: |
| General Integration and Limits |
| Reduction Formulae |
| Arc Length and Surface Area. |
| Further Statistics: |
| Further probability |
| Statistical distributions |
| Statistical hypothesis testing |
| Half Term 5 |
| Exam preparation |
| Half Term 6 |

