

13 September 2023

Dear Parent/Carers

Year 11 Maths Pre-PPE - Monday 25 September 2023

I am writing to remind you that Year 11 Students will sit a practice GCSE exam paper on Monday 25 September 2023 as communicated by their Maths teacher last term. This will be a **calculator** paper and your child has been provided with a list of topics that will appear in the paper and these are also attached to this email.

This is an important exam as it will enable us to assess where students are at this point in the year and help us ensure students are in the correct class working towards the correct tier of entry, either Foundation or Higher.

For this test classes

11YK, 11YI, 11XK, 11XI, will be taking the Higher paper.

11XN, 11YN, 11XG, 11YG, 11XS and 11YS will be taking the Foundation paper.

As you are aware the Maths GCSE has a big emphasis on problem solving, communication, proof and interpretation. Students can achieve a grade 1 to 5 on the Foundation paper and a grade 4 to 9 on the Higher paper. 50% of the Higher paper is aimed at grades 7- 9.

All Year 11 revision resources can be found on the Year 11 revision page of Firefly. Pupils need to go to Subject – Maths – Year 11 GCSE Revision

On this page students can find:

- All the Edexcel exam papers and mark schemes. There are also links to YouTube video solutions for a number of these papers
- A list of the topics in the Higher and Foundation syllabus
- The formulae they need to learn
- Links to SPARX Maths, Maths Genie and Corbett Maths where pupils can find videos on each topic and topic specific sets of past exam questions

We will also be placing a school order for packs of revision cards and revision guides to help students revise this year.

- The Corbett Maths revision cards contain 90 cards. Each card contains key facts, a link to a video, past exam questions and solutions. They are available for both Higher and Foundation tier and are priced at £7.25 each. Further details on the cards can be found here <https://corbettmaths.com/revision-cards/>
- A CGP revision guide and workbook which contains notes, worked examples and exam style practice questions and answers are priced at £6.50. This comes in Foundation or Higher and covers all topics in each tier.
- For pupils who are aiming for a grade 4 and 5 there is also an option of a new revision guide/workbook covering the key grade 4 and 5 topics. This is priced at £6.25. Some sample pages can be found here. <https://online.anyflip.com/qkgluu/aaeq/mobile/index.html#p=1>



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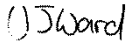
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We will be placing an order on 22 September 2023 and, therefore, if you would like to purchase any of the above resources please pay using ParentPay.

Thank you for your ongoing support and if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher or me on VWard@kowessex.co.uk.

Yours sincerely



Miss Vicky Ward
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