

6th June 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

Further Maths in Year 11

I am delighted that your child has been attending Further Maths as an optional extra qualification this year. This course is designed to support them with both their GCSE maths and as a stepping-stone to A Level. Those students who sit the exam will also gain an additional Level 2 qualification.

I wanted to take this time to thank your child for their dedication and hard work this year. As we approach Year 11, I would like to remind them about what is expected from them going forward and what they should be doing in order to be stretching their mathematical abilities.

The expected commitment for the Further Maths course is:

- A Tuesday lunch time lesson every week
- A Wednesday after school lesson every week
- A minimum of 1 hour independent work or homework

Students who cannot attend a particular session due to unavoidable circumstances must speak to Miss Botting prior to the lesson.

In addition to the above sessions, we encourage students to explore deeper mathematical thinking in their own time in order to access the highest grades. The Maths block can often be seen 'buzzing' at lunch times with Year 11 students discussing high-level GCSE Maths problems with each other and the Maths faculty. These students are regularly delving deep into grade 8 and 9 content to ensure they secure those top grades in their exams. We are very proud of the atmosphere and the level of enthusiasm our current Year 11s bring and look forward to seeing their dedication earn them the top grades in their Further Maths GCSE. As we wave goodbye to our 2023 leavers, we implore our future Year 11s to follow their example and challenge themselves to reach new heights!

If you have any further questions on the Further Maths course, or the support we will be continuing to offer into Year 11, please contact me directly (lbottling@gvsc.org.uk).

Yours faithfully



Miss Botting
Further Maths Teacher