



New GCSE Mathematics

Your daughter will sit her GCSE Mathematics exam in June 2017 (Year 11), this will be the second year that this GCSE has been set. Compared to the current GCSE, there is slightly more content, but the main difference is that the grade at the end will be a number from 1 to 9, with 9 being the top grade (see chart overleaf).

There will still be two tiers of entry:-

Foundation grades 1 to 5

Higher grades 4 to 9.

The course is 100% examination with 3 exams at the end (see below).

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Revision Resources available online

The only way to effectively revise maths is to attempt questions. Often students don't know where to start when faced with a long topic list. The first website in the list has a particularly good feature entitled '5 A Day' where five questions from a variety of topics are posted for every day of the year. Students are familiar with this and should be encouraged to tackle the five questions at home on a regular basis.

1. www.corbettmaths.com

There is no login required. This website has the past exam question papers, short videos and solutions for every topic in both Foundation and Higher tiers.

2. www.mathswatchvle.com

To login, the Centre id is 'jncc' followed by students' usual school username and password. The mathswatch website is very useful as it has mini-videos on all topics in the exam in addition to questions and answers differentiated by grade.

3. www.mymaths.co.uk

To login, enter the username 'sjncc' with the password 'circle'. If students need to revise a topic, MyMaths has lessons to work through with interactive questioning.

4. Edmodo.com

Students have their own login details. Class teachers will post mark schemes, model answers and examiners comments after the majority of papers and additional revision resources when appropriate.

If you have any questions please discuss them with either me or your daughter's class teacher.

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New GCSE Grading Structure

Ofqual

NEW GCSE GRADING STRUCTURE	CURRENT GCSE GRADING STRUCTURE
9	A*
8	A*
7	A
6	B
5	B
4	C
3	D
2	E
1	F
	G
U	U

GOOD PASS (DfE)
5 and above = top of C and above

AWARDING
4 and above = bottom of C and above

