



Backwell School

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A National Teaching School

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Dear Parents/Carers

Mathematics Setting in Year 10

In Year 10, we set students across the whole year group, as follows:

Sets	Level	Notes
H1	Higher Level (Grades U, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9)	To take AS or A Level Further Maths in Year 12, students should achieve at least grade 8 at GCSE.
H2		
H3		
H4		
H5		
HFO	Foundation Level (Grades U, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)	To take AS or A Level Maths in Year 12, students should ideally achieve at least grade 6 at GCSE.
F1		
F2		
F3		
F4		

Your child will be placed in the following set:

Name:	Set:	Teacher:
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Any set movements will take place on a termly basis.

The final tier of exam entry for the HFO group will be decided later in the course.

For further information on how the new numerical grading compares to the previous lettered system, please see the advice we have been given from the exam board (AQA – Specification 8300), on the reverse of this sheet.

Yours sincerely

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Head of Mathematics

Higher tier

Foundation tier

High	High	Medium / High	Medium / High	Medium	Medium	Low / Medium	Low	Low
9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
A ⁺⁺	A ⁺⁻ , A ⁺	A, A ⁻	B ⁺ , B	B ⁻ , C ⁺	C, C ⁻	D, E ⁺	E ⁻ , F ⁺	F ⁻ , G
A [*]	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U