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Dear Parents/Carers

Maths Mock 2 Exams Information

I am writing to you to update you with key information on how best to support your child ahead of the final months of the GCSE Maths course. Parental support is an important factor in students performing well in their final GCSE maths exam this summer.

All students will take their final Maths GCSE examinations in the summer of 2018. Details for the GCSE course can be found at: <http://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcse/mathematics-2015.html>. There are a total of three 90 minute exam papers for the GCSE course (1 non calculator and 2 calculator). Paper 1 is on Thursday 24 May 2018, Paper 2 is on Thursday 7 June 2018 and Paper 3 is on Tuesday 12 June 2018.

Mock exams are a key element of the preparation for the final exams. Not only do these give students the opportunity to familiarise themselves with the examination experience, they also give teachers and students information about which areas of knowledge need strengthening. The dates of the second set of mocks in maths are as follows:

Mock exams 2 - Paper 1 (Monday 26 February 2018), Paper 2 (Monday 5 March 2018) and Paper 3 (Thursday 8 March 2018).

To help students prepare for these mock exams which begin on Monday 26 February 2018; we would like all students to focus on strengthening their weak areas. Kindly check that your daughter is doing the following:

- Completing their PiXL Maths personalized workbook to address areas of improvement identified from their first mock exam. They should then take the online test to check gaps have been filled properly following review and practice of a given weak area. This can be done on any desktop, laptop and is linked to PiXL maths app on student mobiles.
- Complete the full exam practice paper assigned to them over the half term break on Show My Homework(SMHW).
- Prepare for weekly tests in class by practising exam style questions from the Edexcel exam board website. Other useful online resources for exam style questions can be found at www.corbettmaths.com and www.mathsgenie.co.uk.
- Attend intervention on Mondays after school, Tuesdays and Thursdays during form time and Saturday school when invited to any of these sessions.
- Use Maths clinic for general support, Mondays after school, 3:45 - 4:30pm.
- Use Saturday school for maths revision.
- Have full set of maths equipment including a scientific calculator.



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Parents to support their daughter's by checking solutions to practice exam questions at home and making sure their child's homework (see SMHW) is always done to the best of their ability and handed in on time.

Please contact your daughter's maths teacher should you have any questions.

We very much look forward to working with you over the coming months to ensure your daughter achieves as highly as possible in GCSE maths.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

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Mr M Abu
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