

Dear Parent/Guardian

I would like to take this opportunity to pass on information and advice regarding the forthcoming GCSE modular Mathematics unit 1 exam to be sat on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2010. This exam is the second of three units to be sat in total and it comprises 20% of the final assessment.

Year 10 pupils in sets 2 and 3 will be sitting the unit 1 exam which covers all of the handling data content. The exam consists of two papers, both of 20 minutes duration: one being a calculator paper; the other a non-calculator paper.

In order to give pupils the best chance of success, I have listed some ideas that we have found to be useful in supporting pupils in the build up to the exam.

- Complete all homework on time.
- Use the modular maths revision guide and workbook. (If not already purchased they are available from the Finance Office price £2.75 each).
- Work through the unit 1 past paper booklets.
- Use [www.mymaths.co.uk](http://www.mymaths.co.uk) to complete all tasks set and use the interactive lessons and worksheets to practise and revise specific skills.
- Attend top-up maths sessions run from 3:35 to 4:35 starting from Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February through to Monday 1<sup>st</sup> March as listed below:

	Foundation	Higher
Mon 22 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	Scattergraphs	Averages + range
Tue 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	Pictograms, bar charts, frequency polygons, stem and leaf	Scatter graphs, stem and leaf, frequency polygons
Wed 24 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Collecting + recording data	Collecting and recording data
Thur 25 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Averages	Cumulative frequency and box plots
Fri 26 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Pie charts	Histograms
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> Mar	Probability	Probability (inc tree diagrams)

It is also necessary to emphasise that pupils will need to ensure that they bring the standard equipment required for all maths exams as follows:

- A black writing pen or biro
- A HB pencil and pencil eraser
- A ruler in good condition
- A calculator
- A protractor
- A pair of compasses

I hope that you find this information useful. Please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Stevens or me if you have any questions about the modular maths course.

Yours sincerely

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