## Curriculum organisation

The students are placed in sets following their performance in assessments throughout year 8 - a set A a a set B and two parallel ability set Cs. Each group of 30 students are taught for three hours per week.

| Overview of Topics \& Key Information |  |  |  |  | How will your child be learning? |
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| Term | Unit(s) of Work | Key Enquiry Questions | Key Content/ Terminology | Skills developed | - Whole class discussion |
| Autumn Term | - Number properties <br> - Algebra <br> - Linear equations <br> - Angles <br> - Sequences | - What are prime numbers? <br> - What does product of prime numbers mean? <br> - Create as many different factor trees as possible for 24 . Use each of them to write 24 as a product of its prime factors. What do you notice? <br> - What methods can be used to find the least common multiple (LCM) and highest common factor (HCF) of two whole numbers? Which is the most efficient method? <br> - Find two numbers given the LCM and HCF. How many solutions can you find? <br> - What is the difference between an equation and an identity? <br> - How do you simplify an expression? <br> - Which of the following expressions are equivalent? What does equivalence mean? <br> - How do you solve an equation? <br> - Do all equations have a solution? Give an example of an equation with two solutions. <br> - What angle facts do you know? <br> - How do we know angles in a triangle add to $180^{\circ}$ ? <br> - How do we find the missing angle in a polygon? <br> - What would be the $100^{\text {th }}$ term for a given sequence? Is there an easier way of finding these unknown terms? <br> - How can we use the nth term rule to decide if a given number is a term in the sequence? | - Prime numbers, product, factors, factorisation, factor tree, HCF, LCM <br> - Expressions, equations, identities, expand, factorise, terms, formulae <br> - Equations, rearrangements, elimination, solution <br> - Angles, parallel, corresponding, alternate, allied, polygons, regular, irregular, interior, exterior, bearings <br> - Position-to- term, term-to-term, finite, infinite, ascending, descending, square, cube, triangular, arithmetic, quadratic, geometric | - Drawing factor trees; express a whole number as a product of its prime factors; find the LCM and HCF of two whole numbers <br> - Collecting like terms; multiplying and dividing terms; expanding single, double and triple brackets; factorising expressions by recognising common factors; use algebra to solve problems in different contexts; rearrange formulae to change the subject <br> - Form and solve linear equations <br> - Calculate missing angles in regular and irregular polygons <br> - Recognise special types of sequences; find terms in a sequence using the position-to-term rule and term-to-term rule; find the nth term rule and be able to use it for an arithmetic sequence, quadratic sequence and a geometric sequence | - Pair work <br> - Problem-solving tasks <br> - Independent work <br> - Group work <br> - Investigations |


| Spring Term | - Decimals <br> - Fractions <br> - Percentages <br> - Straight line graphs <br> - Transformations <br> - Pythagoras <br> - Trigonometry <br> - Ratio and proportion | - How do we prove if a fraction is a terminating or recurring decimal? <br> - Is it always, sometimes or never true that a fraction with a denominator that is a prime number will terminate? <br> - People often round $\frac{1}{3}$ to 0.3 and $\frac{2}{3}$ to 0.7 . In which case is the percentage error greater? <br> - A line has equation $3 x-2 y+4=0$. Determine the coordinate of the point it intercepts the $x$-axis and the gradient. <br> - A line goes through the point $(9,10)$ and is perpendicular to another line with equation $y=$ $3 x+2$. What is the equation of the line? <br> - What single transformation maps A onto B? <br> - How can we prove that a triangle is a right-angle triangle? <br> - A square has a diagonal measurement of 130 cm . What is the length of one side? <br> - The ratio of boys to girls is $5: 7$. There are 8 more girls than boys. How many boys are there? <br> - Can you draw graphs for direct proportion or inverse proportion? | - Decimal, recurring, terminating, fraction, improper, mixed, equivalent, multiples, factors, numerator, denominator, percentage increase, decrease, change, reverse, depreciation, simple interest, compound interest <br> - Linear, quadratic, cubic, reciprocal, gradient, y-intercept, parallel, perpendicular, parabola, coordinate, axes, equation, formulae, function <br> - Transformations, reflection, rotation, translation, enlargement, Image, object, centre, clockwise, Anticlockwise, vector, scale factor <br> - Pythagoras' theorem, trigonometry, right angle, hypotenuse, adjacent, opposite, ratio, sine, cosine, tangent, elevation, depression, diagonal, plane, square, square root <br> - Ratio, share, proportion, direct, indirect, inverse, square, cube, square root, cube root, constant | - Adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing with fractions and decimals <br> - Converting between fractions, decimals and percentages; convert a fraction to a recurring decimal and vice versa <br> - Calculate a percentage of a quantity; increase or decrease a quantity by a given percentage; percentage change; find the original value <br> - Plot and draw graphs of linear functions; interpret and analyse information presented in these <br> - Find the equation of a given line, gradient and distance between two points; find the equation of parallel and perpendicular lines <br> - Reflect, rotate, translate and enlarge a given shape, perform a combination of transformations; recognise and fully describe transformations <br> - Use Pythagoras to find the unknown side in a right-angle triangle; use trigonometry to find an unknown side or angle in a right-angle triangle; use this to solve 3d problems <br> - Simplify a ratio; share quantities in a given ratio, combining or splitting ratios, problem solving with ratios; formulate equations and solve problems involving quantity in direct proportion or inverse proportion |
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| Summer <br> Term | • Simultaneous <br> equations <br> • Indices |
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- Two numbers have a sum of 34 and a difference of 12 , what are they?
- Write $32 \times 16$ as a power of 2 .
- Evaluate $8^{-\frac{2}{3}}$
- Work out the value of n in $40=5 \times 2^{\text {n }}$.
- Write 51080 in standard form.
- Write $3.74 \times 10-6$ as an ordinary number.
- How would you add, subtract, multiply and divide with numbers in standard form, no calculator allowed?
- Simplify $\sqrt{ } 8$.
- Prove that the square root of 45 lies between 6 and 7.
- Expand and simplify $(\sqrt{ } 3+2)(\sqrt{ } 3-1)$.
- How can we construct an angle of $90^{\circ}, 45^{\circ}, 30^{\circ}$ and $60^{\circ}$ using only a compass, ruler and pencil?
- Convert 147 kg into pounds.
- A brick has volume 840 cm 3 and mass 2058g. Find the density of the brick in $\mathrm{kg} / \mathrm{m}^{3}$.
- How can I find the bearing of A to B if I know the bearing of B from A?
- A boat travels 9 km due south and then 7 km due east. What bearing must it travel to return directly to base?
- Equation, formula, simultaneous, variable, substitute, rearrange, simplify, expand, factorise, brackets, linear eliminate, term, coefficient.
- Index, base, power, inverse, reciprocal, numerator, denominator
- Surds, rational, irrational, brackets, rationalise
- Power, base, standard form
- Construction, loci, equidistant, bisect, perpendicular, parallel, mid-point, bearing, scale drawing
- Speed, distance, dime, density, mass, volume, pressure, force, area, units, average, capacity
- Set up and solve a pair of simultaneous equations using elimination, substitution and graphical methods
- Use index laws to simplify and calculate the value of an expression involving multiplication and division of integer powers, fractional and negative powers, powers of powers
- Use surds in exact calculations without a calculator; simplify expressions with surds, including rationalising denominators
- Convert large and small numbers into standard form and vice versa; add, subtract, multiply and divide numbers in standard form without a calculator
- Construct a perpendicular to a given line from/at a given point, perpendicular bisector of a line segment and an angle bisector; use this to find and describe regions satisfying a combination of loci
- Use and convert standard units of measurements for length, area, volume/capacity, mass, time and money
- Use and convert compound units e.g. for speed, rates of pay, density, pressure; apply compound measures formulae
- Find and calculate bearings and draw accurate scale drawings using bearings
- Standard school stationery (Pencil, Blue/Black Pen, Green Pen, Rubber, Sharpener, Ruler, Whiteboard pen)
- Exercise book
- Scientific Calculator
- Pair of Compasses
- Protractor
- End of half term tests
- Formal assessment week
- Peer and self-assessment
- Homework tasks
- Retrieval practice activities
- Intermediate mathematics challenge
- Mathematics team challenge
- KS4 Puzzle and problem-solving lunchtime club
- Puzzle of the week
- House mathematics competition


## Inclusion

- Teachers follow student passports to ensure that the needs of all students with SEND are met.
- Work is enlarged to the necessary size for visually impaired students.
- Teachers will ensure that classrooms are quiet learning environments where possible and will dim lights to support students with sensory needs.
- Students have the use of laptop if they have a SEND need whereby use of a laptop supports them.
- Hearing impaired students are supported through use a radio aid and teachers ensure that students can lip read at all times during lessons.
- Dyslexic students are encouraged to use coloured overlays when they are required to read long passages.
- Use of dyslexic friendly fonts and coloured backgrounds used in PowerPoints/resources.
- Students with ADHD are given movement breaks, fidget toys and lessons are 'chunked' to aid concentration.
- Students are seated according to their needs, students work with the SENDCo to decide upon this.

What can you do to support your child?

- Several websites are very useful that include videos, questions and walked through examples, these are: mymaths.co.uk, corbettmaths.com, mathsgenie.co.uk and drfrostmaths.com
- Encourage regular revision
- Equipment is adapted wherever necessary to accommodate the needs of students with SEND
- Where necessary, pupils are given frequent one to one tutorials to revisit previous topics and methods taught to support their understanding
- Pupils are provided with online resources to help with learning outside of the classroom and homework, such as videos and worked examples
- Students have access to spare mathematical equipment to help with organisation

If you have any questions about this Learning Overview, please contact the named Teacher above.

