

Dear Parent/Carer

This academic year the Mathematics Curriculum Area are keen to streamline the SPA offer for pupils.

In previous years SPAs ran after school nearly every day. Consequently, some sessions were empty and other would attract more students than a member of staff could usefully support.

Pupils should attend SPAs with a specific focus in mind so that staff can provide resources and support as necessary.

Available to all students:

This year we are trialling a system of offering two SPAs a week, reducing to one when staff have other after school commitments (Parents evenings/training/specific year group sessions etc).

Two members of staff will be available during each SPA allowing for a greater number of students to attend.

Within this system only specific SPAs will have staff available to work on the optional Maths subjects (Statistics/Further Maths/Additional Maths). Pupils will need to consider this when organising which SPAs to attend.

During the year, we will also offer after school support sessions to each individual year group following assessments. These will target key topics that the assessments have highlighted as challenging and will be specific to each year group/class. These will replace a SPA session that week.

Year 11:

Individual pupils will be invited to 'Breakfast Club'. This will run on three occasions across the year and is an early morning session (8am-8:25am) where pupils will work on exam style questions. More details to be given to parents/carers.

All of Year 11 will be offered the opportunity to work on some past papers in two blocks during the Spring and Summer terms. More details to be given to parents/carers. Again, these will replace a SPA session on these weeks.

Please find attached to this letter the SPAs available this half term.

We hope all pupils will make the most of the after-school sessions to help support their individual progress.

If your child has questions, please direct them in the first instance to their Maths teacher. We plan to review the system after the first term.

Yours faithfully

Miss C Robson

Director of Learning Mathematics CA

All SPAs will take place in C202/C203 unless otherwise stated.

SPA – All years	Indicates a member of staff will be present who can support with Statistics
SPA – All years	Indicates a member of staff will be present who can support with Further Maths or Additional Maths

Note: all students can still attend these sessions as there are two members of staff at each SPA

Week beginning 30/10/23

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	SPA – All years		SPA – All years	

Week beginning 06/11/23

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		SPA – All years		SPA – All years

Week beginning 13/11/23

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		Year 10 post assessment -tbc	SPA – All years	

Week beginning 20/11/23

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		SPA – All years		SPA – All years

Week beginning 27/11/23

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	SPA – All years	Year 8 post assessment -tbc		

Week beginning 04/12/23

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		SPA – All years		

Week beginning 11/12/23

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		Year 11 post assessment -tbc	SPA – All years	