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Dear Year 12 Students, Parents and Carers

Invitation to Enrol in Level 3 Mathematical Studies (Core Maths)

We are delighted to invite Year 12 students to sign up for Level 3 Mathematical Studies, commonly known as Core Maths. This qualification is designed for students who have achieved a grade 6 or above in GCSE Mathematics and are not studying A Level Mathematics, but who wish to continue developing their mathematical skills alongside their other subjects.

Core Maths is a unique qualification that focuses on applying mathematics to solve meaningful, real-life problems. The course emphasises practical skills you will use in your future study, work and everyday life, such as personal finance (including taxes and interest rates), estimation and the critical analysis of data.

Core Maths specifically supports the mathematical content in other A Level subjects, such as Biology, Psychology, Business Studies, Geography, Sociology, Chemistry, Design & Technology and Economics. The qualification carries the same UCAS points as an AS Level. Universities and employers highly value the numerical and analytical skills developed during this course. You will find the lessons differ from your previous experiences in Mathematics; they often involve discussing problems, exploring "grey areas", where there may be no single right answer, and learning how to question claims made in the media.

To ensure this opportunity is accessible to as many students as possible, lesson scheduling will be finalised once sign-ups are complete. This allows us to take into consideration your other timetabled lessons and commitments, to minimise clashes. Please be aware that to accommodate everyone's schedule, some lessons will be scheduled as twilights (3.20pm - 4.20pm).

If you are not taking A Level Mathematics, Core Maths is an excellent way to keep your skills fresh and set yourself apart from other applicants when exploring future paths of study or work. Students should sign up by completing [this form](#). The deadline for signing up is **Monday 14 September**. Please ensure you have registered your interest by this date to be included in the final timetable planning.

If you have any questions, please speak to Dr Belghitar (KS5 Mathematics Lead).

Yours sincerely



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