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Dear Parent/Guardian

MATHSWATCH - ESSENTIAL KS4 REVISION AID

In previous years we have recommended that Year 10 and 11 students purchase a CDROM called MathsWatch at £5 each, as an essential revision aid for their GCSE Mathematics course.

The MathsWatch CDROM is fast becoming old technology and is used less and less by students; requiring a Windows PC with a CD/DVD drive and this CDROM is also incompatible with Mac iOS. So, instead of this CDROM we now buy an annual MathsWatch school licence to enable students to revise maths using any browser on any device (phones, tablets; iOS and android, laptops, PCs or Macs)

The MathsWatch website will enable every student in Year 9, 10 and 11 to access MathsWatch from home or school, across all devices

MathsWatch video clips re-teach every topic from grade 1 to grade 9, just like a teacher would, at the board. Every video clip has real exam questions for students to do, because to be good at maths, a student has to do it, not just watch it! Both teachers and parents can monitor student's revision using this resource.

So instead of recommending that every student buys a disc for £5, we are asking for a voluntary contribution of £5 towards the school licence. This can be made to the Finance Office, in any of the usual ways, cash, cheque or, with your authority, withdrawn from your son's activity/pocket money account. You can also now pay on-line using the school's cash office.

Your son's username has been sent to you along with the password which he can change this. Please see the MathsWatch guidance for students and parents on how to use this invaluable resource.

Pearson (Edexcel) GCSE Mathematics Revision Guides are also available from the Finance Office for £5 each, these are the ones we recommend although, as they say, other revision guides are available.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely



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