

## How can you support your child in Mathematics at Key Stage 3?

### What are we doing in school?

- Homework expectations
  - Students are set 2/3 pieces of homework per fortnight, this should take about 1 ½ hours in total
  - Students should be completing 2 homework clubs during OOSHL time per week – students are always able to ask for help with their homework if they need it
  - Maths Club Tuesday and Friday mornings – this time can also be used to get extra support with homework in a quiet environment
- Assessments
  - Students are given ‘summary tests’ at the end of each topic
  - Next assessment w/b 14<sup>th</sup> March
    - Algebra 1 – basic algebra skills
    - Geometry 2 - transformations
    - Algebra 2– graph work

### What can you do at home?

- Engage your child in conversations about Maths: -

This can be asking about their lessons or getting them involved in an activity that requires them to use their numeracy skills e.g. estimating the total of a shopping bill at the supermarket

Help your child practice their times tables if this is a weakness - **this is the biggest barrier to learning Maths for those that struggle with it**
- Encourage your child to explain the maths they are doing – sometimes just reading the question out loud to someone else can help!
- Use subscription websites to guide them towards support for their homework if you are unsure of how to help them
  - [www.mymaths.co.uk](http://www.mymaths.co.uk)
    - Username: finham1 Password: number
  - [www.mathswatchvle.com](http://www.mathswatchvle.com)
    - Centre id: finhampark2 Username: normal school login Password: Password123

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