Sixth Form Subject Information

Further Maths



Qualification	AS or A-Level	
Exam Board	Pearson, Edexcel	
Course Leader	Mrs D Patrick	
Course summary	 Further Maths is an extension to Mathematics and serves those more able students. It is appropriate for those students who have achieved an 8 or 9 at GCSE and a genuine love for mathematics. In this course we will aim to: Broaden your range of mathematical skills and techniques Show how different areas of mathematics are connected Help you to become confident and extend your mathematical skills and techniques. Help you use mathematics to as an effective means of communication Use mathematical reasoning to draw inferences. Solve challenging problems Help you become an independent learner. 	
What will students learn?	AS content	The content will consist of Pure and applied mathematics. Pure Mathematics is compulsory and will assess: Proof Complex Numbers Matrices Further Calculus Further Vectors Polar Coordinates Hyperbolic Functions Students will then choose a combination of 2 modules from: Statistics, Mechanics or Discrete Mathematics
	A Level content	This includes all of the AS content but studied to a greater depth. Plus: Differential Equations Further Trigonometry Further Co-ordinate geometry
How will students be assessed?	AS	At AS there will be 2 papers worth 50% of the exam each. They will be a mixture of short and multi-step problems. Each exam will last 1.5 hours.
	A Level	A Level is assessed by three 1.5 hour papers and each paper is 1/3 of the A level. Two papers will be devoted to the core pure maths and one paper to the optional modules.