

MATHS

Why we do Maths.

The study of Maths provides you with skills which are helpful in other school subjects and which will be important for your everyday life, now and in the world of work. The course in S3 helps you appreciate maths and understand its importance in today's world.

What does the course involve?

The course covers a broad range of topics including basic numeracy, algebra and statistics. Trigonometry is covered at levels 3 and 4. The emphasis is very much on describing, tackling and solving problems which arise in real life using mathematical knowledge and techniques.

How is your work assessed?

The course is divided into six blocks of work and pupils are assessed on completion of each block. In addition there is an end of year test on work covered in all six blocks.

Homework in this course

Pupils attempt regular, weekly homework in S3. Work is attempted from a combination of textbook, homework booklet and Maths online exercises. Regular weekly "drop-in" sessions are available for pupils to get help with homework if required.

Possible pathways in the Senior Phase

A variety of courses are available depending on progress and attainment during S1-3. S4 Applications of Maths courses at National 3,4 or 5 provide opportunities to practise important skills for life and work such as personal finance, measurement, timekeeping etc.

S4 Maths courses at National 4 and 5 provide a stepping stone to Higher and possibly Advanced Higher in S5/6.