

## **Maths Functional Skills - Key Stage 4**

The Mathematics department prides itself on offering a rich, balanced and progressive curriculum. We actively promote our pupils to develop their reasoning, problem solving and numerical fluency. The Mathematics department uses STEAM links and projects to promote industry and cross curricular links.

Key Stage 4 pupils have the opportunity to gain qualifications in:

- GCSE Maths
- Functional Skills Level 1 and 2
- Entry Level 1-3

Ensuring pupils are entered for the correct qualification is done through close monitoring and assessment. The assessment flight paths are monitored closely and interventions provided where needed.

Functional skills is a stepping stone qualification brought in to help students progress to L2 and/or prepare for their GCSE studies. Functional skills is a more flexible alternative to GCSE for many people and focuses on applying basic mathematical skills to the real world, rather than the more abstract maths found in GCSE.

### **We offer Functional Skills at a range of levels including:**

Level 2 - A similar level to a GCSE grade 4 or grade C

Level 1 - A similar level to a GCSE grade 2 or grade E

Entry Level 3 - A level slightly below GCSE

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