Curriculum summary

Further Mathematics A Level

For our gifted mathematicians we also offer A level Further mathematics. This course could prove invaluable to any student wishing to study mathematics or a mathematics related subject at a top University.

The course encompasses four modules; two pure and two applied.

Core Pure Mathematics 1 and 2 – these modules enable students to explore more algebra topics including matrices, imaginary numbers, polar coordinates, hyperbolic functions, inverse hyperbolic functions, first and second order differential equations including system of differential equations, vector geometry of 3d planes and damped simple harmonic motion.

Decision 1– Pupils will study algorithms on graphs; the route inspection problem; critical path analysis; travelling salesperson problem. linear programming. In this module they will learn problem solving techniques used in manufacturing, profit maximisation and many other industries as well as understanding tools widely used in the field of computer science.

Further Statistics 1 – This extends the work students did in Statistics 1 (in Mathematics A level). Topics included in this module are: Poisson distributions, geometric and negative binomial distribution, probability generating functions, Quality of tests, Central Limit Theorem. Also extends on hypothesis testing and Chi-squared tests.

Assessment in the A Level Further mathematics course is completely by examination and student sit their exams at end of second year (in year 13). Each module exam lasts for One and half hours and students are allowed to use calculators in all exams.

Programme of Study

<u>Year 12</u>

AUTUMN 1st HALF TERM

Core Pure (CP1)	Decision (D1)
Teacher 1 (4 Lessons per week)	Teacher 2 (2 Lessons per week)
Complex Numbers	Algorithms
Argand Diagrams	Graphs and Networks
Matrices	Algorithms on Graphs
Linear Transformations	
Proof by Induction	

AUTUMN 2nd HALF TERM

Core Pure (CP1)	Decision (D1)
Teacher 1 (4 Lessons per week)	Teacher 2 (2 Lessons per week)
Series	Linear Programming
Roots of Polynomials	Route Inspection
Vectors	Critical Path Analysis
Volumes of Revolutions	

SPRING 1st HALF TERM

Further Statistics (FS1)	D1 & FS1
Teacher 1 (4 Lessons per week)	Teacher 2 (2 Lessons per week)
Discrete random Variable	Consolidation D1
Poisson distribution	Chi square tests
Hypothesis testing	

SPRING 2nd HALF TERM

Re-teach & Revision	
Teacher 1	Teacher 2
(4 Lessons per week)	(2 Lessons per week)
CP1 & FS1	D1

SUMMER 1st HALF TERM

Preparation for AS exams	
Teacher 1 (4 Lessons per week)	Teacher 2 (2 Lessons per week)
CP1 & FS1	D1

SUMMER 2nd HALF TERM

Core Pure (CP2)	
Teacher 1 (4 Lessons per week)	Teacher 2 (2 Lessons per week)
Complex Numbers Series	Hyperbolic Functions section 6.1 & 6.2 only

<u>Year 13</u>

AUTUMN 1st HALF TERM

Recap P2, CP1 & 2	
Teacher 1 (4 Lessons per week)	Teacher 2 (2 Lessons per week)
Complex Numbers	Differentiation integration (P2)
Differentiation integration (P2)	Hyperbolic Functions
Methods of Calculus	Volumes of Revolution
Polar Coordinates	

AUTUMN 2nd HALF TERM

CP2 & FS1	
Teacher 1 (4 Lessons per week)	Teacher 2 (2 Lessons per week)
Methods in Differential equations	Central Limit theorem Geometric and Negative
Modelling with Differential equations	Binomial distribution Probability Generating
Quality of tests	Functions

SPRING 1st HALF TERM

FS1 & D1	
Teacher 1 (4 Lessons per week)	Teacher 2 (2 Lessons per week)
Quality of tests	Probability Generating Functions
Simplex Algorithm	Travelling Sales persons
Route inspection and CPA	problem

SPRING 2nd HALF TERM

Re-teach & Revision	
Teacher 1 (4 Lessons per week)	Teacher 2 (2 Lessons per week)
CP1, CP2 & FS1	D1 & FS1

SUMMER 1st HALF TERM

Preparation for final exams	
Teacher 1 (4 Lessons per week)	Teacher 2 (2 Lessons per week)
CP1, CP2 & FS1	D1 & FS1