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Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing to inform you of the intervention opportunities and revision materials available for year 11 students to support their progress and achievement in their Maths GCSE. To help prepare students for their GCSE Maths in summer term, it is essential that every student feels confident and prepared. These interventions are a fantastic opportunity for students to improve their progress, knowledge and understanding and are proven to increase students' grades.

What support is available at Bradford Forster Academy?

Maths intervention sessions – These sessions will take place each Thursday, Week A from 3:00pm – 4:00pm. Students will focus on key topics identified by your child's class teacher. The sessions are designed to strengthen core skills, address areas of difficulty, and boost exam techniques.

Maths Papers Society – These sessions will take place each Thursday, Week B from 3:00pm -4:00pm in the canteen. Students can come along and practice GCSE Maths papers with support from the Maths department. Past paper practice is essential in helping students develop their confidence and ensuring they become more familiar with the GCSE papers.

Maths revision guides – This week your child will be given a revision guide by their class teacher. This is for your child to keep. They include examples and practice questions for the paper your child will be sitting. Please encourage your child to actively use their revision guide to make flash cards, mind maps, revision posters and practice the questions included. The best way to revise maths is to practice Maths.

Maths Padlet – Links to revision videos and practice questions all in one place - <https://padlet.com/bfamaths/bfa-year-11-mathematics-kekvvyzfi0234hn8>

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Half past papers – Every Friday students are given a half a past GCSE paper for them to complete at home. This is designed to last around 45 minutes. There is a QR code on the front of the paper that takes students to a YouTube tutorial of the paper. Students can also log onto TikTok every Thursday evening to see Hannah Kettle go through the paper live. This is a free service **@hannahkettlemaths** (Foundation 7:00pm – 7:45pm, Higher 7:45pm – 8:30pm).

Sparx Maths – Sparx provides a highly personalised weekly homework to students, tailored to their attainment level and working speed. Your child's homework will be set on Wednesday and be due the following Wednesday each week.

Thank you for your continued support. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs Box, Curriculum Leader of Mathematics at kirsty.pounder@bfa.bdat-academies.org.

Yours sincerely

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