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Sawston
Village College

Principal: Mr J P Russell

Dear Parent/Carer

As part of our commitment to supporting pupils' learning in Mathematics, we are pleased to provide all pupils with access to MathsWatch, an online learning platform that supports classroom learning and independent study. Your child has had access to this resource since they joined Sawston.

One of the greatest benefits of MathsWatch is that it helps pupils to develop independent learning habits. Pupils can use the videos to review concepts they have found challenging in class, complete additional practice questions and build confidence in areas where they need further support. Regular use of the platform can make a significant difference to pupils' understanding and progress in mathematics.

As a department, we aim to provide pupils with a revision list two weeks ahead of any milestone assessment. We expect pupils to undertake some independent revision at home in preparation for these assessments, and MathsWatch provides an excellent resource to support this.

Over the last year, we have moved to printing all Maths homework on blue paper. This helps homework to be easily identified within pupils' exercise books. We would greatly appreciate your support in checking the quality and authenticity of your child's homework before it is submitted. Recent developments in technology and artificial intelligence mean that pupils can now obtain correct answers to questions very quickly, often without having to engage with the mathematics themselves. While this may produce the right answer on a homework task, it does not develop the understanding, reasoning and problem-solving skills that are essential for success in GCSE examinations, where pupils must work independently and demonstrate their own thinking.

Thank you for your support.

Yours faithfully

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Head of Mathematics



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