

Our Ref: 079/19

9th September 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

**Year 7 Information Evening**

I am writing to provide more information about the Year 7 Information meeting publicised in the school calendar on **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September** at 6.00 pm to introduce the following:

***Introduction to Homework in Year 7***

The elements of homework in Year 7 are Mathematics practice, reading and vocabulary and subject knowledge. The school uses an online system, Show My Homework and will provide printed and digital materials, as well as access to the IXL Mathematics software. At this information evening you will find out more about how homework will be set online and monitored during Year 7 and about the homework booklets pupils are being given in the early weeks of this academic year.

***Mathematics Mastery***

We have decided to adopt a mastery approach using the Mathematics Mastery curriculum developed by the Ark Academy chain. This will involve a significant change in both how Mathematics is taught in Year 7, and what is taught. There will be a far greater emphasis on covering a small amount of key topics in depth and stretching our pupils' understanding of these topics rather than introducing new topics quickly.

I feel that a meeting with you will be useful to clear up any misconceptions about the work we are doing and give you a feel for the style of Mathematics we will expect your son to develop in the coming years.

The meeting will last approximately 45 minutes. I would be grateful if you could complete and return the reply slip below to confirm your attendance.

Yours sincerely



**Mr S Brierley**  
**Principal**

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**Reply Slip: Year 7 Information Evening – return to Form Tutor**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Form: \_\_\_\_\_

I/We can/cannot\* (*\*delete as appropriate*) attend the above meeting on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September at 6.00pm.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_(parent/carer) Date: \_\_\_\_\_