

The Maths Department

The Mathematics Department at Valentines is outstanding and consistently receives excellent praise from the community. The department is a leader in mathematics teaching and frequently does outreach work with other schools sharing best practice. The department consistently enjoys outstanding results. The last year in which external exams took place in 2019 was no different with 80% of students in Year 11 attaining grades 9-4; 62% attaining 9-5 and 32% of students attaining grades 9-7. The progress 8 score for Maths was +0.33 which places the department significantly above the national average and in the top 20% of all schools in England. At A-Level, 87% of students attained grades A*-C and 42% attained A*-A which places us above the national average with an ALP grade 2.

The maths team is fully staffed with 10 specialist maths teachers. The maths leadership team consists of a Head of department; 2ic who is also KS3 coordinator; KS4 coordinator who is also lead practitioner; and a KS5 coordinator. The dynamic maths department is at the forefront of maths teaching, has a culture of sharing good practice and working effectively as a team. Teachers across the department teach students in ability sets from Year 7 to Year 11. There is growing cohort of students in the Sixth form studying A-Level Maths, A-Level Further Maths. We are looking for a dynamic and inspirational teacher of Maths to join our successful Maths team. Whether you are a NQT or an experienced teacher we are dedicated in supporting you to develop your pedagogy and teaching so you become an integrated member of the Valentines High School Maths Team.

The Department is well resourced with interactive whiteboards, visualisers, and a large whiteboard in every class. In addition to this we have a wealth of maths teaching activities; textbooks in line with new curriculum; MWB set for each class as well as table sized whiteboard sets for group work; a wealth of ICT resources including subscriptions to MyMaths, GoTeachMaths, ActivTeach, Mathsbox, Mathspad and Integral.