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Dear Parent/Carer

Practice Paper Booklets

We are fast approaching the revision stage of your son's GCSE Mathematics course; a vital part of this process is the completion of practice paper questions. This helps identify areas of weakness and encourages the boys to ask questions to address any shortcomings. The practice of examination questions is absolutely key to them achieving a good grade in the summer, allowing them to become used to the structure and demands of a GCSE paper.

The department has created some practice paper booklets for the boys to use in school (they write answers in their exercise books) but more papers are now available. We have placed all available papers on SharePoint for the boys to access but we are aware of the cost and time implications of them printing these papers out. In light of this, we have decided to print and copy them at school for the boys to purchase at a cost of £13 for the collection. The beauty of them having their own hard copies is that they can carry the papers around with them and write solutions / make notes on them.

Revision Guides

A good number of Year 11 students have asked me/their teachers about revision guides. Whilst there are many publishers out there, all doing a good job, I have been impressed by the Collins offering of an 'All-in-one' Revision and Practice book.

The book contains a full revision guide, along with practice and review sections, and a full workbook at the back. Full answers are included, as is an e-book for revision on the go! The books are tailored to the new GCSE 9 – 1 Specification.

Students can also choose to purchase the Grade Booster book, aimed at increasing their chances of achieving top grades. It contains advice on technique and tips for examination success. The cost for the All in One Revision Guide is £4 (RRP £10.99) and the Grade Booster is £2 (RRP £4.99).

If you would like your son to purchase any of the above, please complete the attached reply slip. You can pay online or via the accounts office.

Yours sincerely

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Return to the accounts office

Pupil's Name

Form

I/we enclose cash/cheque for made payable to STRS or I have paid online

- ☐ Practice Paper Booklet - £13
- ☐ All in One Revision Guide - £4
- ☐ Grade Booster £2

Signed

Date