



# FAMILY NEWS

Week 26b – Monday 23rd March

## THEMES OF THE WEEK



*Reflect on how well we 'consistently' ensure these areas are embedded to ensure we are successful.*

- ✓ Ramadan
- ✓ Careers Week
- ✓ British Science Week
- ✓ Global Money & Sign Language Week
- ✓ World Math Day

# HOLIDAY INSET Y6 TRANSITION

2025					2026						
August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	July
1 Fr	1 Mo <sup>36</sup>	1 We	1 Sa	1 Mo <sup>49</sup>	1 Th <sup>New Year's Day</sup>	1 Su	1 Su	1 We	1 Fr	1 Mo <sup>23</sup>	1 We
2 Sa	2 Tu	2 Th	2 Su	2 Tu	2 Fr	2 Mo <sup>6</sup>	2 Mo <sup>10</sup>	2 Th	2 Sa	2 Tu	2 Th
3 Su	3 We	3 Fr	3 Mo <sup>45</sup>	3 We	3 Sa	3 Tu	3 Tu	3 Fr <sup>Good Friday</sup>	3 Su	3 We	3 Fr
4 Mo <sup>32</sup>	4 Th	4 Sa	4 Tu	4 Th	4 Su	4 We	4 We	4 Sa	4 Mo <sup>Early May Bk. Hol.</sup> <sup>19</sup>	4 Th	4 Sa
5 Tu	5 Fr	5 Su	5 We	5 Fr	5 Mo <sup>2</sup>	5 Th	5 Th	5 Su	5 Tu	5 Fr	5 Su
6 We	6 Sa	6 Mo <sup>41</sup>	6 Th	6 Sa	6 Tu	6 Fr	6 Fr	6 Mo <sup>Easter Monday</sup> <sup>5</sup>	6 We	6 Sa	6 Mo <sup>28</sup>
7 Th	7 Su	7 Tu	7 Fr	7 Su	7 We	7 Sa	7 Sa	7 Tu	7 Th	7 Su	7 Tu
8 Fr	8 Mo <sup>37</sup>	8 We	8 Sa	8 Mo <sup>50</sup>	8 Th	8 Su	8 Su	8 We	8 Fr	8 Mo <sup>24</sup>	8 We
9 Sa	9 Tu	9 Th	9 Su	9 Tu	9 Fr	9 Mo <sup>7</sup>	9 Mo <sup>11</sup>	9 Th	9 Sa	9 Tu	9 Th
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25 Mo <sup>August Bk. Hol.</sup> <sup>35</sup>	25 Th	25 Sa	25 Tu	25 Th <sup>Christmas Day</sup>	25 Su	25 We	25 We	25 Mo	25 Mo <sup>Spring Bk. Hol.</sup> <sup>22</sup>	25 Th	25 Sa
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**1 WEEK**

UNTIL EASTER BREAK



**4 WEEKS**

UNTIL GCSE EXAMS

START

5TH MAY



**14 SCHOOL WEEKS**

UNTIL THE END OF SCHOOL YEAR

Charlie Aky joined us for a whole school musical celebration at the end of a very busy charity fundraising week. #theprimeagency #iamcharlieaky #proudtobenewsomeacademy



# SPECIAL moments



Students from Newsome Academy visited Huddersfield Fire station for an engaging session on anti-social behaviour and community safety. As part of the 'Sharp Response' programme, they learned essential knife first aid and how to respond in emergencies, gaining practical skills



The Masked Singer Newsome style!! Well done to Mr W winning a: 'Knocking out language deprivation'-as part of Sign Language Week Pinky!!



Year 4 from Newsome Junior school enjoyed an "eggscellent" STEM Challenge on Thursday 12th March



PI & VI students visited Sandal Castle yesterday in the sunshine ☀️





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**YEAR 11**  
**GCSE EVENTS**  
**THROUGHOUT**  
**THIS YEAR TO**  
**SUPPORT YOUR**  
**CHILD**

# YEAR 11 GCSE SUCCESS EVENINGS

## ENSURING THE BEST FOR YOUR CHILD

### Dear Families

Following on from last years' family GCSE sessions there will be several further events throughout this year to prepare your child for success in their GCSE's. This year, there will be a Mock result-issuing session after every set of Mock exams and there will also be general information giving at several points throughout the year. The next evening will be on 19th March 5-6pm.

<b>Event 1</b> <b>Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> October 5pm-6pm</b>	<b>Key Deadlines</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Preparation for October Mocks</li><li>Home Run Initiative</li><li>Period 6 information</li></ul>
<b>Event 2</b> <b>Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November 5pm-6pm</b>	<b>October Mock Results</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Information sharing and understanding results</li><li>How to support your child further</li></ul>
<b>Event 3</b> <b>Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March 5pm-6pm</b>	<b>March Mock Results</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Information sharing and understanding results</li><li>How to support your child further</li></ul>
<b>Event 4</b> <b>Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April 5pm-6pm</b>	<b>Preparing for the real thing!</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Exam timings and protocol</li></ul>



**YEAR 10**  
**GCSE EVENTS**  
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<p><b>Event 1</b>  <b>HT2 – Thurs. 13th November - 5pm - 6pm</b></p>	<p><b>Intro to GCSE Year</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preparation for Mocks</li> <li>• Race to Exceptional Initiative</li> <li>• Work Experience</li> </ul>
<p><b>Event 2</b>  <b>Thursday 5th March 5pm-6pm</b></p>	<p><b>February Mock results and Parents' Evening</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information sharing and understanding results</li> <li>• How to support your child further</li> </ul>
<p><b>Event 3</b>  <b>Monday 18th May 5pm - 6pm</b></p>	<p><b>Work Experience preparation ( w/c 8th June)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Final prep for Work Experience</li> <li>• How to support your child further</li> </ul>
<p><b>Event 4</b>  <b>Thursday 9th July (5pm – 6pm)</b></p>	<p><b>June Mock results</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Exam timings and protocol</li> </ul>

# GCSEs and beyond



readingplus®

**Week commencing February 23rd** - Certificates provided for top 2 students per class for most time spent reading lessons on Reading Plus. (Between 23/02/26 - 06/03/26)

**Week commencing March 9th** - Certificates provided for top 2 students per class for most reading lessons completed on Reading Plus. (Between 09/03/26 - 20/03/26)

**Week commencing March 23rd** - Certificates provided for top 2 students per class for total highest words read on Reading Plus. (Between 23/02/26 - 20/03/26)

**End of term-** Certificate provided for top 3 students per year group for highest reading level gained.

# WEEKLY UPDATE

## WEEK STARTING 23rd March

### STUDENT

# Huddle!

WHAT'S HAPPENED/HAPPENING

NEWSOME  
ACADEMY'S  
JustGiving Page



- **THANK YOU!** – to all of you who participated in activities, donated to Comic Relief and made the week of Red Nose Day, Eid and Culture Day a HUGE success! We have achieved over our target and still have Friday's donations to include – final amount will be shared on the first day back! Thank you!
- **NON-UNIFORM DAY** – on the last day of term, Friday the 27th of March, we have decided to have a second Culture Day to celebrate Easter and a chance for those of the family who were celebrating Eid to showcase their stunning outfits - all donations will go towards the Year 11 Prom.
- **STUDENT SURVEY** - **ALL** students are required to complete the Young Peoples knowledge of drugs and alcohol in Kirklees survey, which will be uploaded to all Year Groups in Teams - please remind students to complete this by the close of March.

## UPCOMING EVENTS



# EXCEPTIONAL



**THE  
SPECIAL 6**  
STEPS TO EXCEPTIONAL

- ✓ **ATTENDANCE**
- ✓ **ATTITUDE TO LEARNING**
- ✓ **CONDUCT**
- ✓ **REWARDS**
- ✓ **EXTRA-CURRICULAR**
- ✓ **HEALTH**



# MIN D S E T

M A S T E R Y





**Fundamental British Values** underpin what it is to be a citizen in a modern and diverse Great Britain valuing our community and celebrating diversity of the UK. These 5 values are:  
**Democracy, Rule of Law, Mutual Respect, Tolerance, Individual Liberty.**



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**Which FBV does the theme of 'World Maths Day' & 'Easter' link with?**





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#### 5. Tolerance

- Respecting different faiths and cultures
- Understanding that we don't all share the same beliefs and values and not imposing ours on others

#### 1. Democracy

- 'Rule by the people'
- Making decisions together (voting)
- The right to voice your opinion



#### 2. Rule of Law

- Understand and obey the rules set by the government to develop order



#### 4. Mutual Respect

- To treat people politely and thoughtfully, to show we value them
- Seeing things from someone else's viewpoint

#### 3. Individual Liberty

- The right to believe, act and express oneself freely
- The right to freedom of speech
- The right to vote



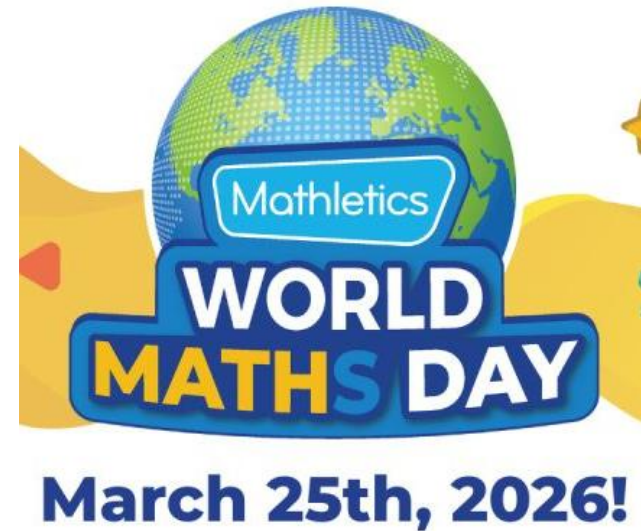
# World Maths Day 2026

United by Numbers

A global celebration of mathematics!

“Mathematics is the language of the universe.”

Galileo

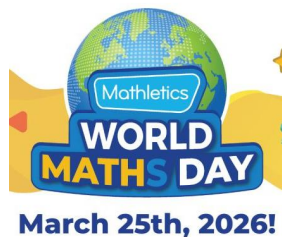


**LEARNING SKILLS FOCI:**





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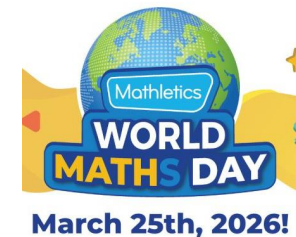
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# What Is The Most Important Number Ever Discovered?

- A) 1
- B) 10
- C)  $\pi$
- D) 0

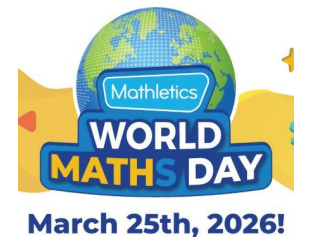


# A Time Before Zero

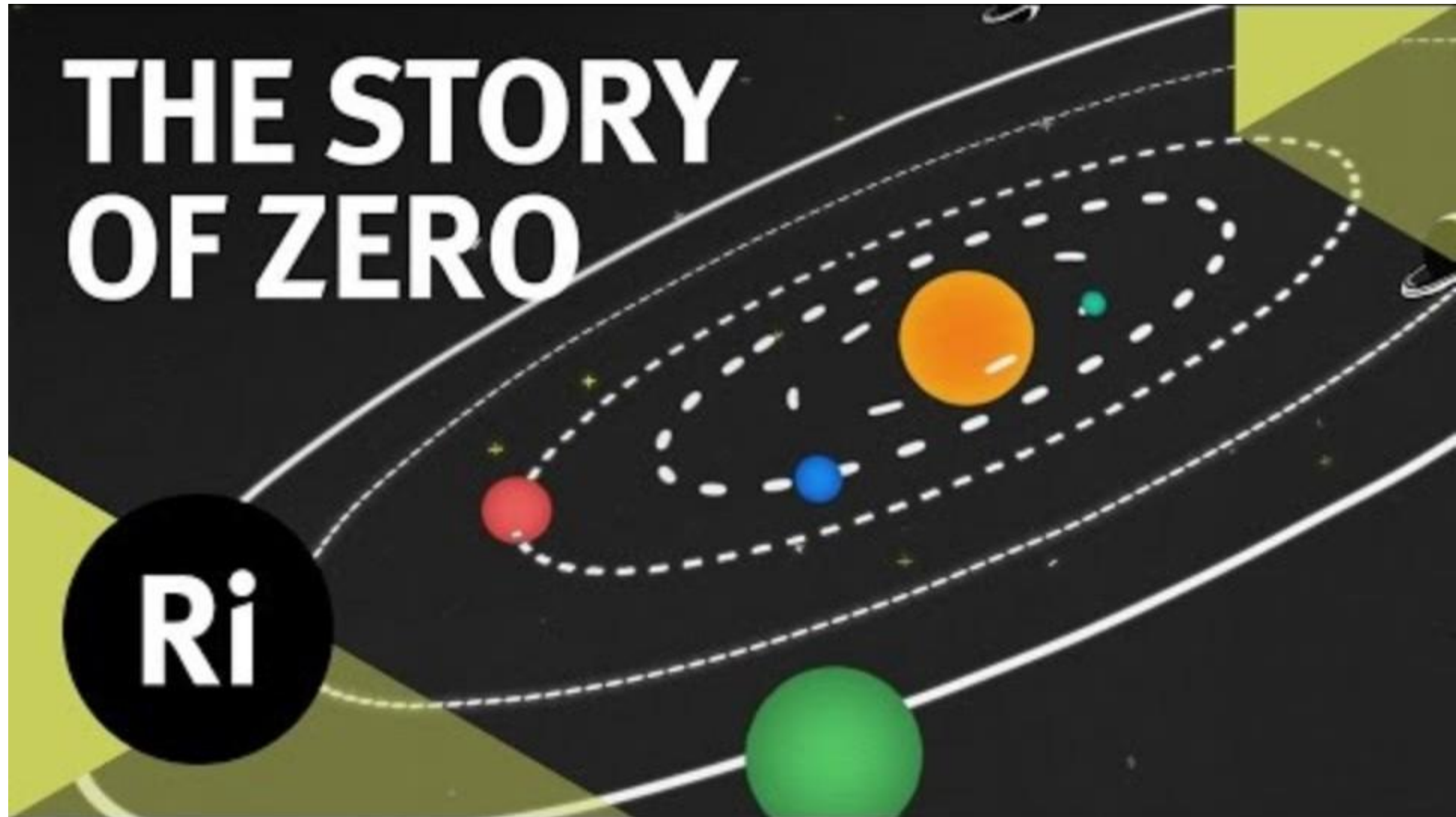
Ancient Roman numbers looked like this

VIII XIV MCMXCIX

- There was no symbol for zero.
- The idea of zero was developed in India around 500 AD.



The idea of nothing as a number

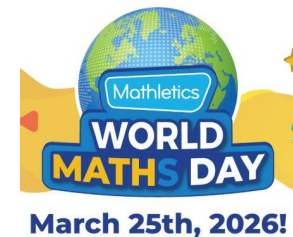


LEARNING SKILLS FOCI:



# What Is World Maths Day?

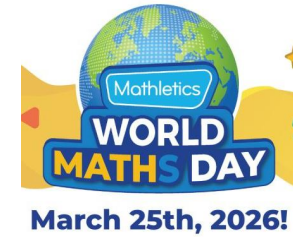
- Millions of students take part
- Students compete in short mental maths challenges
- Schools from 80+ countries are involved
- Everyone can challenge themselves and improve



**LEARNING SKILLS FOCI:**



# A Common Maths Myth



MYTH

*Good mathematicians are fast.*

REALITY



THINK FAST!

*Good mathematicians think deeply.*

THINKING HARD,



OR HARDLY THINKING?

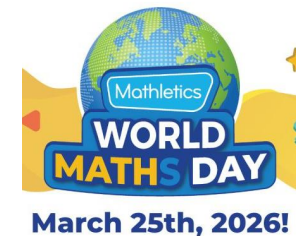
*“It’s not that I’m so smart. I just stay with problems longer.”*

Albert Einstein



# What Makes a Good Mathematician?

- listens carefully
- thinks before answering
- processes the information they hear
- looks back at past examples
- is willing to try, and get it wrong

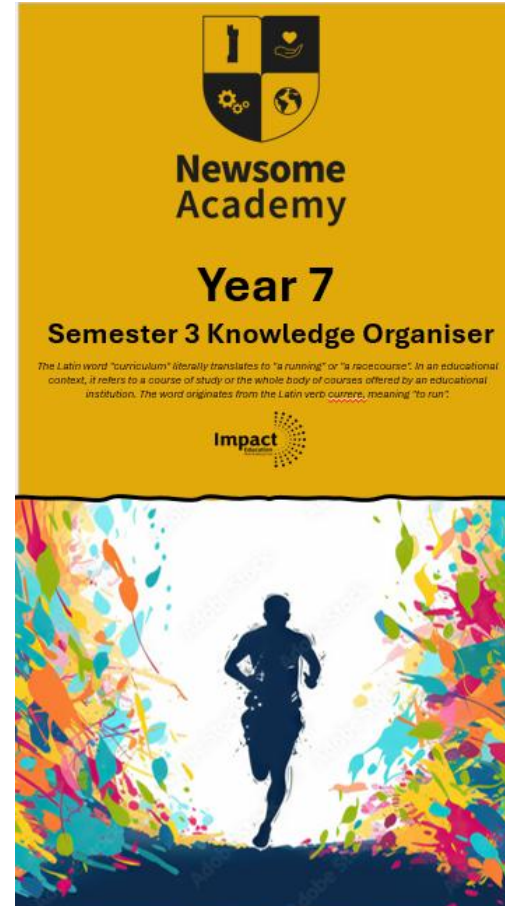


*“Mistakes are expected, respected, inspected and corrected.”*



# Mathematicians Use Resources

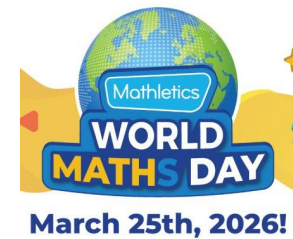
- their exercise book
- a knowledge organiser
- previous examples
- a learning partner



# Ask Better Questions

Instead of saying:

*"I don't get it."*



**LEARNING SKILLS FOCI:**



# Ask Better Questions

Try asking:

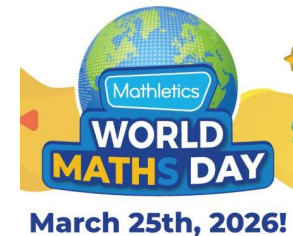
*"How did you start the question?"*

*"Why did you do that step?"*

*"What should I try first?"*

*"What did the teacher do?"*

*"What did I do last time?"*



# Why Maths Matters

Mathematics helps us:

- solve problems
- understand the world
- build technology
- make discoveries



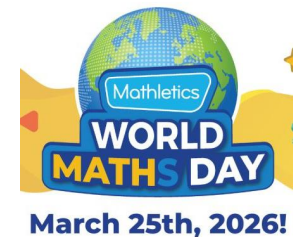
*“Doing mathematics is like exploring a dark mansion – you slowly discover what is inside.”*



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Maths is used in:

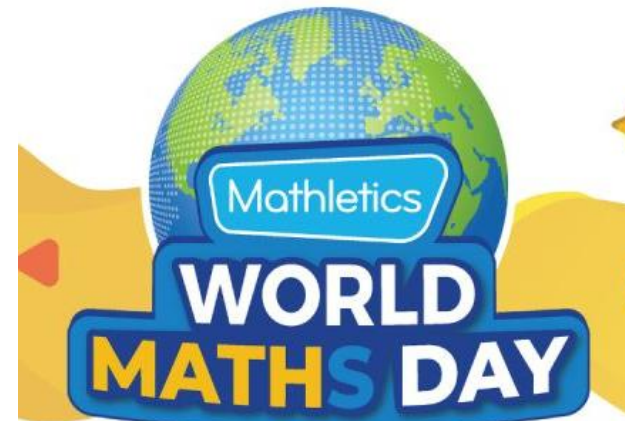
- engineering
- medicine
- sport
- finance
- computer science
- space exploration



# Your World Maths Day Challenge

On World Maths Day you will:

- compete with students around the world
- test your mental maths
- challenge yourself



**March 25th, 2026!**

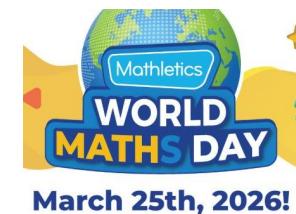
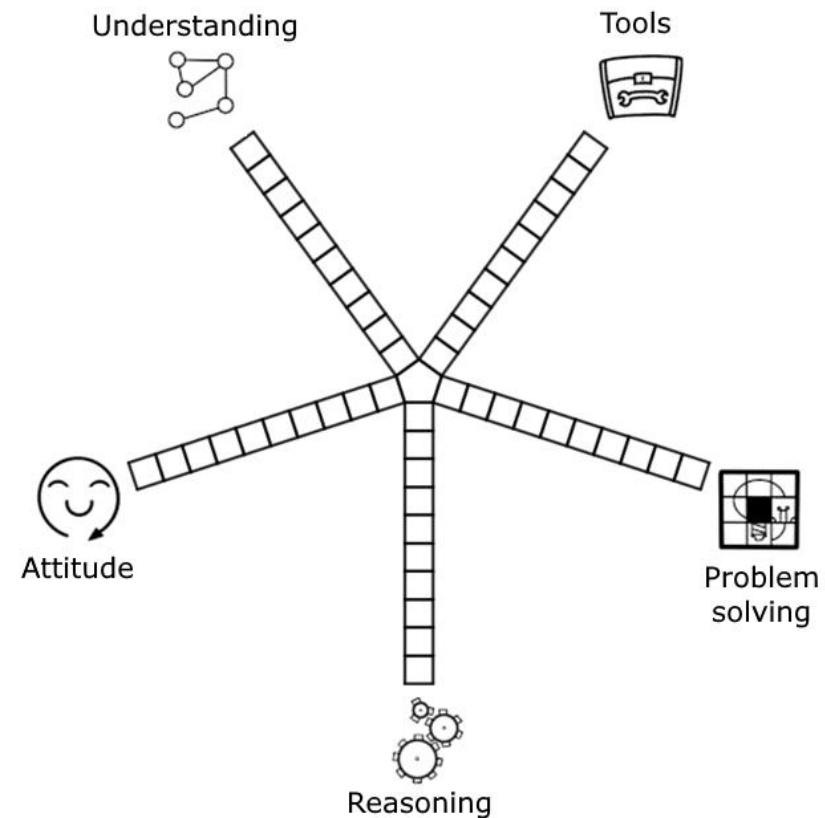
**LEARNING SKILLS FOCI:**



# Your World Maths Day Challenge

Maths isn't about being perfect.

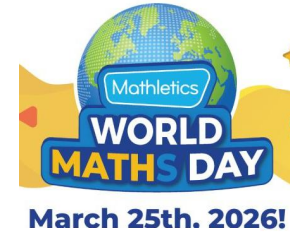
It's about thinking, trying, and improving!!



LEARNING SKILLS FOCI:



# Remember This



When maths feels difficult...

- think carefully
- ask good questions
- use the resources around you
- keep trying!

Struggle is part of learning.

That's what great mathematicians like you



**"He is risen! Wishing all of our families a delightful Easter filled with hope, joy and the wonder of God's blessings."**

*Happy Easter.*

**God Bless You and  
Your Family.**





**EXTRA-CURRICULAR TIMETABLE**

**SPRING TERM 2 2025-2026**



# Extra-Curricular Activities: Spring Term 2 25/26



DAY	CLUB	LOCATION	STAFF	P6 Week A	P6 Week B
MONDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Netball After exams</li> <li>• DOFE</li> <li>• Cooking Club</li> <li>• Writing Club</li> <li>• Chess Club</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sports Hall</li> <li>• Fitness suite</li> <li>• Cooking Room</li> <li>• Library</li> <li>• Library</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HRA/SMT</li> <li>• JDA/GEA</li> <li>• JBA</li> <li>• ASQ</li> <li>• NLA</li> </ul>	Option A	Option D
TUESDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wheelchair sports club</li> <li>• Music Club (Invite Only)</li> <li>• KS3 Coding Club</li> <li>• 10W Maths club (invite only)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sports Hall</li> <li>• 401</li> <li>• 608</li> <li>• 407</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SCU</li> <li>• AMC</li> <li>• OMO</li> <li>• MAS</li> </ul>	Science	Science
WEDNESDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 7/8 Girls Football</li> <li>• BSL Club</li> <li>• STEM on Track (Invite only)</li> <li>• Music Club</li> <li>• PRIDE club – Week A lunch time</li> <li>• Fitness</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Astro</li> <li>• 805</li> <li>• Lecture Theatre</li> <li>• 401</li> <li>• 302</li> <li>• Fitness suite</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HRA/HH</li> <li>• DCR/ SHE</li> <li>• EGA</li> <li>• AMC</li> <li>• CBR</li> <li>• JDA,BD</li> </ul>	Maths	Maths
THURSDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• YR 10 H&amp;S</li> <li>• IDEA Lab</li> <li>• Singing Club</li> <li>• Drama Club</li> <li>• Sparx Support Club</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 606</li> <li>• 503</li> <li>• 401</li> <li>• Lecture Theatre</li> <li>• 402</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SMT</li> <li>• EGA</li> <li>• ECO/CBR</li> <li>• LAB/BRO</li> <li>• EBU</li> </ul>	English	English
FRIDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Student Council KS3 – Week A lunch</li> <li>• Student Council KS4 – Week A lunch</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 302</li> <li>• 302</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CBR</li> <li>• CBR</li> </ul>	Option B	Option C



# The Designated Safeguarding Leads @TNA

Miss Hall is the Designated Safeguarding Lead



**Miss A Hall**  
DSL



**Ms H Baxter**  
Deputy DSL



**Ms R Leroy**  
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**Ms E Carter**  
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How can I keep Safe?

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