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Dear Parent/Carer

### **Weekly Practice Tests and In-Class Assessments**

To support your child's performance with the In-Class Maths Assessments, after Easter the Department will be setting weekly tests (as in previous years) to help build confidence and strengthen skills, to familiarise pupils with the style and pace of the assessment questions. We have already begun doing these practice tests towards the end of each week and they are marked by the class teacher. To support your child's progress with each practice test we will continue to provide them with a revision list and a task set on MathsWatch with similar questions to those appearing in that week's practice test.

The Maths Department strongly believe that if pupils invest time in revising each week (completing the MathsWatch task and/or revising using other revision aids by focusing on the skills listed on the revision list), they are much more likely to notice a steady improvement in the scores they achieve. These tests are supportive evidence alongside the In-Class Assessments towards your child's Teacher Assessed Grade. It is therefore, extremely beneficial for your child to dedicate time to practice their Maths skills in this way.

You will get a chance to hear how your child is getting on with these practice tests at Parents' Evening on Tuesday 30 March 2021.

We are going to offer a similar revision package for the In-Class Assessments and this current training programme will make the next step smoother. By the end of next week, we plan to provide revision lists for both In-Class Assessment papers and some practice question booklets to support your child to revise over the Easter break. We also plan to provide some Zoom tutorial sessions during the holidays, to answer any questions that may arise connected to the Maths revision, pupils are doing.

Yours sincerely

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