



Monday 21st September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Boost for 5: English and Maths GCSE Support Sessions

As we begin what is an important year for our Year 11 students, we are pleased to introduce 'Boost for 5', a programme of booster sessions designed to help students secure a **Grade 5** in their GCSE English Language and Mathematics examinations.

These fortnightly sessions will provide focused teaching, and structured practice to help students strengthen their knowledge, skills and confidence in these key subjects.

The sessions will commence as follows:

- **Mathematics:** Wednesday 7 October, at 13:35 in STEM 1
- **English Language:** Wednesday 14 October, at 13:35 in C&E 8

Each session will last an hour.

Please note that these sessions are specifically aimed at students who are **not yet consistently securing a Grade 5** in English Language and/or Mathematics.

Due to staffing and room capacity, there will be a **maximum of 30 places available** for each subject. Any student can apply for a space on the programme, but places will be allocated based on students' current attainment, with priority given initially to students currently working at **Grade 4**, followed by those working at **Grade 3**, then those working below grade 3. As students make progress and secure a Grade 5, places will become available and students on the waiting list will be offered the opportunity to commence their place on the programme.

If your child wishes to attend the sessions, then it is important they understand they are committed to these sessions. Failure to attend, will result in their place being given to another student who requires it. If a student does not make the most of the opportunity when they attend, preventing the group or themselves from making progress, they will be requested to leave and will forfeit their place.

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We believe that these sessions will provide valuable support and help students make the progress needed to achieve this important GCSE benchmark. A grade 5 in English and Maths provides students with the greatest options for post 16 education, allowing a greater choice of study options.

If your child would like to be considered for a place on the programme, please complete the registration form using the link below:

[Boost for 5 sign up form – Fill out form](#)

We will confirm places once all expressions of interest have been received and reviewed. Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to working together to help our students achieve success in their GCSE examinations.

On the rare occasion a session is unable to run, we will communicate this with parents and carers.

Kind regards,

Tracie Deane
Associate Vice Principal