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Dear Parent/Carer

## **Maths Practice Paper Packs**

As a Faculty we feel that the best revision students can do for their Maths GCSE is to actually do exam questions, to allow exposure to both the content, as well as the layout and style. We are offering the practice papers in three bound booklets, each containing 2 sets of exams (6 x 1.5 hour exam papers), and therefore 18 papers in total. The cost is £4 for all three booklets, covering the photocopying and binding costs, and at 22p per exam paper we feel this offers real value to the students. Payment should be made the usual way through our online payment system.

Please note although we are requesting payment now to ensure the correct quantity is produced, we will not be providing the booklets to students until later in the term. We will give the first booklet out in December/January, the second in February and the third in April.

The maths mock exams they completed today gave the students their first real experience of a set of Maths exam papers, a vital experience in the absence of our usual End of Year 10 exams. The marked exam papers will be returned to students in December, along with coloured sheets guiding them on topics to improve upon and of course a 9-1 grade. Although the natural focus will be on the grade, we want students to begin the process of learning from mistakes and improving their mathematical knowledge and skillset.

Each mock paper had QR codes added to them, that link students to videos on how to answer each question and students should fully utilise this independent learning opportunity. The coloured sheets mentioned previously, colour code topics and then direct students to tasks on Hegarty Maths. Hegarty Maths is always available to students, providing instructional videos on every GCSE topic and more importantly tasks that are marked, allowing any revision/learning to be evaluated.

We do have some remaining stock of CGP Edexcel Revision Guides and Exam Practice Workbooks, as well as Corbett Maths Flashcards available for purchase through the online system. These resources are not essential but if you do buy them, then ensure you get the right tier, sets 1 and 2 are Higher tier and sets 3 and 4 are Foundation tier.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'C Collard', written in a cursive style.

**Mr C Collard**  
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