



April 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

**Invitation to complete AQA's Level 2 Certificate in Further Maths**

Your child has been selected by the Maths department as a suitable candidate to complete the above course. This advanced Mathematical qualification sits between GCSE and A-Level Maths and is designed to stretch pupils mathematical understanding and aide their transition to A-Level Maths and other challenging STEM subjects. Your child has been selected due to their ability (students aiming for grade 8 or above), excellent performance and attitude in Maths during Key stage 3.

The course will involve additional Maths study to be completed in college and at home. Your child must attend a fortnightly 1-hour commitment session throughout Key Stage 4 (Years 10 and 11), in addition to being expected to complete approximately 1 hour of independent work each week. It is essential that this independent work is completed in full and on time as the course is advanced and fast paced. Your child's attendance and work rate will be monitored carefully to ensure that they can complete the course successfully.

The qualification is highly regarded by both universities and higher-level apprenticeship providers so will look impressive on your child's CV. The course covers a range of topics including:

- Advanced algebra including the use of The Factor Theorem
- An introduction to calculus (rates of change)
- Matrices including their use in transformations
- Pascal's Triangle and its use in the binomial expansion
- Advanced graphical analysis

The examinations will be in June of 2028 (alongside all their other courses) and will consist of two 1 hour and 45-minute papers, one calculator and one non-calculator. The course is graded between 4 – 9.

This letter along with the reply slip has also been posted to you. Please could you ask your child to return the reply slip to Mr Lancashire or Miss Marsh in Maths.

Yours sincerely

*I Lancashire*

Mr I Lancashire  
Curriculum Team Leader of Maths

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Reply Slip – AQA Level 2 Certificate in Further Maths

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Please circle as appropriate:

Students name: \_\_\_\_\_ wishes / does not wish to undertake the course and agrees to complete all work associated with it.

Parental signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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