

Our Ref: KH/AB/TM/ MathsGCSE

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Dear Parent/Carer,

### Maths - Tier Entry



**Barr Beacon School**  
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I am writing to inform you of an important decision regarding your child's Maths GCSE tier of entry.

Following a review of their recent Mock Exam performance, we had some concerns about their attainment on the Higher Tier. In order to ensure that we make the most appropriate decision for your child, we asked them to complete an additional Foundation Tier practice paper. We are pleased to share that they demonstrated improvement on this paper and showed greater confidence and security with the content assessed at this level.

In the light of this evidence, we believe that your child will be best supported by being entered for the Foundation Tier in GCSE Maths. This will allow them to focus on consolidating key skills and achieving the strongest possible outcome in the final examinations.

Please be reassured that this decision has been made carefully, with your child's long-term achievement as our priority. Our Maths team will continue to support them closely, and we are confident that this change will enable them to make further progress.

If pupils wish to change their revision guides from Higher Tier to Foundation Tier, please ask them to speak with Mr Davies.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this in more detail, please contact the school via [postbox@barrbeaconschool.co.uk](mailto:postbox@barrbeaconschool.co.uk)

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

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