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Dear Parents

Year 7 Maths

I am writing to explain how we will be grouping Year 7 students in Mathematics this year at The Sir John Colfox Academy.

Setting

In Year 7 the year group is split into two parallel year group halves. Currently students are in mixed attainment groups. From October half term we would like to reorganise the groups so that:-

- 7R1 and 7L1 contain our highest attaining students, aiming for Exceptional and Good targets, who may move through content at a faster pace,
- 7R2 and 7L2 contain our middle attaining students, aiming for Good and Developing targets,
- 7R3 and 7L3 contain students aiming for Developing and Foundation targets, who may move through content at a slower pace

Assessments

Year 7 will have assessments during the week beginning 27 September. Following these assessments we will adjust the groupings to ensure all children are in the most appropriate group. The assessment will cover:-

- The first two algebra topics from this half term, Sequences and Understanding Algebraic Notation (knowledge organiser attached)
- Numeracy and mental maths content from Key Stage 2

There will be two further assessment points throughout the year, and we will continually monitor students' progress and readjust settings accordingly.

Yours sincerely

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