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Dear Parent

Re: Saturday One to One Maths Mentoring Sessions

I am delighted to offer your child free one to one maths mentoring tuition. The sessions will involve working one to one with either myself or a current A-level student, who will not only be familiar with the new GCSE but who will also be fluent at GCSE Maths.

The purpose of these invaluable sessions is to provide targeted support for your child, which in turn will aid their progress and help achieve their target grade in maths. It is important to note that if it is found that a student is not engaging with the support or indeed, not attending, then that valuable slot will be offered to another willing student.

Initially, we will start the scheme on a **Friday from 21 August 2020 and will then revert to a Saturday morning from 5 September 2020, when the new term begins.** There are three 55-minute sessions between 9am and 12pm, all supervised by myself.

If you would like to accept the offer of a place for your child, please email me directly at s.evans@smithdonhigh.org.uk to confirm your consent, along with your child's name by 7 August at the latest. Due to the high demand and extremely limited places available, the sessions will be offered on a first come, first served basis. We are hoping to extend the places available once the new term begins, so if your child is unsuccessful initially, please be reassured that we will endeavour to accommodate them with future sessions.

Once I have received your email confirmation for your child to attend, I will reply to you by email to confirm your child's selected time slot for their one to one session.

Students are to report to E Block, via the gate at the D-Block Staff Car Park, at least 5 minutes prior to their designated time slot. Please can I ask you to remind your child to bring all necessary maths equipment (including pens, pencils, rulers, compass & their own scientific calculator) and any revision guides that they might have to EVERY session.

With the current situation and to prevent the spread of Covid-19 it is essential that your child does not attend a session if they are unwell. Following the current Covid-19 guidelines, the mentors and I will be using face visors, face masks and maintaining a 1 metre distance from your child. Cleaning materials and hand sanitiser will be provided on each desk and desks and chairs will be wiped clean between each individual session (hence not a full one-hour session). Unfortunately, we will not be able to provide any refreshments, so please make sure your child brings their own drink/snacks, etc.

This will now be our fourth year of running this highly successful support programme and the requests for places has been significant, so it is important that 100% commitment is agreed to, prior to the acceptance of a position. As such, please can I ask you to inform us of any Saturday dates, including holiday dates, that you know that your child will not be able to attend.









We hope you agree that this is a fantastic opportunity to support your child with their progress in Maths and that you will consent for your son/daughter to attend. Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any further queries. Yours sincerely Mrs S Evans **Head of Mathematics**