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Dear Parents and Carers,

Maths Whizz – Years 4-6

As the new academic year is underway, I would like to remind you of how you can support your child on Maths Whizz.

Maths Whizz is an online virtual maths tutor that caters to your child's unique ability. The programme helps to address gaps in learning and adapts to your child's individual needs. It helps to make maths fun, whilst allowing your child to create their own avatar, win gems and gain points.

Since the start of term, your child has sat a baseline assessment, which diagnoses your child's knowledge gaps across several topics. This then automatically prepares a unique learning journey to address their specific gaps. The Maths-Whizz tutor is mastery based, which means your child will progress forward in a topic only when they have demonstrated strong understanding of each concept.

Please find below key messages for how to support your child with Maths Whizz at home:

- Remind your child to complete 20 minutes on Maths Whizz per week as part of their homework.
- Check to see if your child has earned 3 progressions per week. To earn a progression, they need to pass the exercise and test for the unit they are on.
- Encourage your child to be part of the 'Hall of Fame' by earning 3 blue gems and 3 red gems.
- Monitor your child's progress in the different maths topics by viewing the topic badges. The dots represent years in the maths curriculum.
- Keep up to date with your child's progress by signing up to receive your free weekly Maths Whizz email. See instructions overleaf.

To help motivate the children, they will earn dojos for completing 20 minutes on Maths Whizz as part of their home and if your child consistently achieves 3 progressions every week for 8 weeks in a row, they will earn house points.

Please see overleaf for what a Maths Whizz lesson entails.

If you have any questions related to Maths Whizz, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Kind regards,
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Keep up to date with your child's progress.
Sign up to receive your free weekly Maths-Whizz email.

As part of our school's maths provision, your child uses Maths-Whizz which is personalised and adaptive to your child's mathematical needs and helps build their confidence in maths. Keep up to date and sign up to receive a free weekly email on your child's progress:

<https://school.whizz.com/parent-email/signup>

- 1 Enter your child's Maths-Whizz login details (this is to make sure we send you updates for the right child).
- 2 Enter your details.
- 3 Head to your inbox to verify your email.



Once your email address is verified, you'll receive your weekly updates every Monday!

Do you have more than one parent who wants to receive weekly updates? No problem, just add another parent in step 2.

Maths Whizz lesson

Completing exercises and tests

Your child will have a chance to practice their maths by completing the interactive exercises. Most lessons are in three parts: a teaching section, exercise questions (approximately 10 questions) and finally a test (approximately 5 questions).

It is important that they attempt all questions, even if they are unsure of the answer.

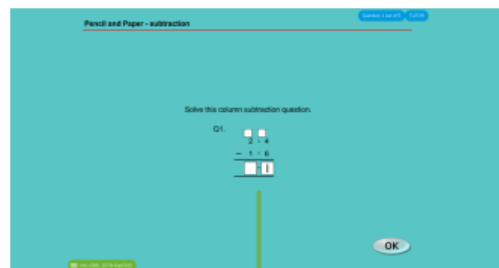
- A** If students are doing particularly well, they may be able to jump to the test activity. Look out for the highlighted double arrow.



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To pass an exercise, students need to achieve at least 70% (7 out of 10). Sometimes they will be given the option of 'jumping' ahead to the test sooner when the Tutor feels they are ready.

- B** When this happens, students will then have a chance to show that they fully understand that area of maths, in a short test. The layout of the test is different to the exercises.



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Encourage your child to focus fully on the test, and answer all questions.

To pass a test, and show an acceptable level of understanding, students need to score at least 60%.

- C** When students pass the exercise and the associated test, they will earn a Progression – 3 Progressions makes a gem!

