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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to those parents who were able to attend the Maths Whizz parent information session on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September. If you were unable to attend, please find below key messages for how to support your child with Maths Whizz at home:

- Remind your child to complete 30 minutes on Maths Whizz per week as part of their homework.
- Check to see if your child has earned between 1 3 progressions per week.
- 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.
- Log in to your Parent Dashboard to check from a distance the progress your child is making. This could inform a discussion you have with them about their learning. To set up your account, log in to your child's account at whizz.com/login, select 'Parents' from the menu and create your username and password. See instructions overleaf.
- 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,

Mrs Harvey Maths Leader

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## Setting up a parent account

1. Click on the 3 short dashes/lines in the top right hand corner.



2. Click 'parents' in the bottom right hand corner.

Click 'Yes' to the newsletter as this will send an update of your child's progress.



## **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.

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.

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%.

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





