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## Strong start to learning for students moving from Year 8 to Year 9

I am writing to inform you of our arrangements for the start of the next academic year for students moving from Year 8 into Year 9.

### 1. Summer Work

We are keen to ensure that students can consolidate their understanding and knowledge over the summer break should they wish to do so; therefore, summer work for English, maths and science is provided for students moving into Year 9:

#### Maths Summer Work

Students and parents/carers were sent an email on 28 June with a 'Gap Analysis'. Students should identify the topics where they scored less than 70% and use Hegarty Maths to re-cover these topics. [Click here](#) for a further explanation on how to use Hegarty Maths.

#### English Summer Work (Summer Reading Booklet)

We are keen for our students to read widely and often. For this reason, we are delighted to share our Summer Reading Booklet 2022 which contains extracts from six top holiday reads, tips for effective active reading and short activities. [Click here](#) for the electronic version.

#### Science Summer Work

Based on the feedback from the summer assessment, we are suggesting that students decide which topics/big ideas they should focus on to help to prepare for next year.

Students should use the Knowledge Organisers at the [link here](#) to help them to learn the key facts, vocabulary and definitions in each area. The QR codes on each Knowledge Organiser will take students to videos that can support their learning.

Students should take the opportunity to complete this work if they would like:

- to do more practice in maths and/or science ready for the year ahead
- to read a wider range of texts or to improve their vocabulary ready for the year ahead

## 2. Expectations Evening

Our Expectations Evenings are an important moment at the start of the academic year to outline our expectations for effective learning so that parents understand the teaching, assessment and support for students that they can expect, and the key opportunities and challenges for students moving into Year 9 including key dates for the Key Stage 4 course choices process.

The Expectations Evening for Year 9 will be at 6.00pm on Wednesday 14 September. We look forward to seeing you at this event, further details will be sent out at the start of next term.

Thank you for your continuing support and our best wishes for a pleasant summer break.

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