

# Urmston Grammar School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

We are delighted to inform you of our decision to teach the GCSE Further Mathematics content to all students in Set 1. The AQA Level 2 Certificate in Further Mathematics is offered as an opportunity to extend students alongside their current GCSE mathematics lessons.

The AQA Level 2 Certificate in Further Mathematics is intended as an additional qualification to GCSE Mathematics, offering students the opportunity to build on the Key Stage 4 Curriculum. This qualification assesses students higher order mathematical skills, particularly in algebraic reasoning, in greater depth, thus preparing them fully to maximise their potential in further studies. The delivery of the Further Maths GCSE content will advance students problem solving skills and provide an insight into higher level mathematics.

The AQA Level 2 Certificate in Further Mathematics is an untiered Level 2 linear qualification for learners who are expected to achieve a grade 8 or 9 in GCSE mathematics. The decision to enter students for the qualification is dependent on their approach to learning and their test results throughout the year. Pupils will only be considered for entry if they made the required progress throughout the year, measured by end of topic/term assessments and GCSE mock exams. Students will be considered for entry into the Further Mathematics GCSE only if they are on track to achieve a grade 8 or 9 in GCSE Mathematics. This decision will be made in Year 11.

Further information about the course can be found here:

<https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/mathematics/aqa-certificate/further-mathematics-8365/introduction>

Yours sincerely,

Miss C Murray

KS4 Coordinator