



Grant Road Crowthorne

Berkshire RG45 7HZ

01344 772658

secretary@edgbarrowschool.co.uk

www.edgbarrowschool.co.uk

September 2026

Dear Parents/Carers

We would like to invite your child to undertake an additional maths qualification alongside their GCSE Mathematics. The Pearson Edexcel Level 2 Extended Mathematics Certificate is a natural extension of the GCSE course, with small amounts of A Level content embedded. This is a relatively new qualification which was sat by students for the first time in Summer 2025 and provides students with the opportunity to challenge themselves further at Key Stage 4. In addition, it should also help to build the perfect foundation for further study, easing the transition to many KS5 qualifications especially A-level Maths and Further Maths.

The Extended Mathematics Certificate is aimed at students targeted to achieve a grade 7 or above in GCSE Mathematics. Over 50% of the specification will be algebra content, with the remaining content being a mixture of Number, Geometry, Probability and Ratio.

As the content is an extension of the GCSE Mathematics course, this will build on areas taught in their normal Maths lessons. There will be some new content that will need to be learnt and therefore, signing up to this additional course will result in an additional weekly lesson (across the whole of Year 10 and Year 11), which will be held either before or after school. The Year 10 lesson for this year will be running every **Wednesday** after school from 3.20pm to 4.20pm starting on the 16th September.

Undertaking this qualification will require students to be proactive in independent study and have a desire to engage with problem solving beyond what is expected at GCSE. The emphasis of the examination questions that they will face will be on applying their mathematical knowledge. Students will be set regular tasks to complete to cement not only their knowledge in this course, but also support their attainment in their GCSE Mathematics.

They would sit the qualification in Summer 2028, although it is possible to complete the course and opt out of the examinations at the end. There are two papers that the students will sit, one non-calculator and one calculator paper.

The students will be supplied with some resources during the sessions, but they will also need to purchase the [course textbook](#). The ISBN number is: **978-1292738116** in case you would like to purchase it from an alternative supplier.

If you would like your child to take part in this qualification, please could you respond using this [link](#) by 5pm on Wednesday 9th September.

If you have any questions, please contact me at denise.holloway@edgbarrowschool.co.uk

Yours faithfully

Denise Holloway

Denise Holloway
Head of Maths