

**Year 9 Higher Curriculum Overview**

**Subject: Mathematics**

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Year 9 is the start of the GCSE course and students build upon the *core skills* learnt in Years 7 and 8 and extend their knowledge with new topics such as Pythagoras, Inequalities and Data Handling. Reasoning skills are developed to ensure understanding.

**Autumn Term**

Outline of Key Learning	Hegarty Code	Lesson
<p><b>Indices, powers and roots (1b, 1c)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Find the value of calculations using indices including positive, fractional and negative indices</li> <li>b. Use index laws to simplify and calculate the value of numerical expressions involving multiplication and division of integer powers, fractional and negative powers, and powers of a power</li> <li>c. Find the prime factor decomposition of positive integers – write as a product using index notation</li> <li>d. Find the LCM and HCF of two numbers, by listing, Venn diagrams and using prime factors – include finding LCM and HCF given the prime factorisation of two numbers;</li> <li>e. Solve problems using HCF and LCM, and prime numbers</li> </ul>	<p>103,104 105, 106 29,30,32 27, 31-36</p>	<p><a href="#">Indices</a> <a href="#">Negative and Fractional indices</a> <a href="#">Factors and Multiples</a> <a href="#">Venn Diagrams</a> <a href="#">HCF / LCM</a></p>
<p><b>Pythagoras (5b)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Understand, recall and use Pythagoras' Theorem in 2D</li> <li>b. Calculate the length of a line segment AB given pairs of points</li> </ul>	<p>498,499</p>	<p><a href="#">Pythagoras</a></p>
<p><b>Standard form and Surds (1d)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Add, subtract, multiply and divide numbers in standard form</li> <li>b. Understand surd notation, e.g. calculator gives answer to <math>\sqrt{8}</math> as <math>4\sqrt{2}</math></li> <li>c. Simplify surd expressions involving squares</li> </ul>	<p>125,126 112 115</p>	<p><a href="#">Standard form</a> <a href="#">Surds</a> <a href="#">Multiplying surds</a></p>



<p><b>Equations (2a, 2b)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Solve linear equations, with integer coefficients, in which the unknown appears on either side or on both sides of the equation;</li> <li>b. Solve linear equations which contain brackets, including those that have negative signs occurring anywhere in the equation, and those with a negative solution</li> <li>c. Derive a formula and set up simple equations from word problems, then solve these equations, interpreting the solution in the context of the problem</li> <li>d. Substitute positive and negative numbers into a formula, solve the resulting equation including brackets, powers or standard form</li> <li>e. Change the subject of a formula, including cases where the subject is on both sides of the original formula, or involving fractions and small powers of the subject</li> <li>f. Use iteration to find approximate solutions to equations, for simple equations in the first instance, then quadratic and cubic equations</li> </ul>	<p>176 287 280-286 322</p>	<p><a href="#">Solve simple equations</a> <a href="#">Substitution and rearranging</a> <a href="#">Iteration</a></p>
<p><b>Sequences (2c)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Use the <math>n^{\text{th}}</math> term of an arithmetic sequence to decide if a given number is a term in the sequence, or find the first term above or below a given number</li> <li>b. Identify which terms cannot be in a sequence by finding the <math>n^{\text{th}}</math> term</li> <li>c. Continue a quadratic sequence and use the <math>n^{\text{th}}</math> term to generate terms</li> <li>d. Find the <math>n^{\text{th}}</math> term of quadratic sequences</li> <li>e. Distinguish between arithmetic and geometric sequences</li> </ul>	<p>198 247 248 264</p>	<p><a href="#">Linear sequences</a> <a href="#">Quadratic sequences</a></p>