The Hastings Academy: Grade Descriptors for use at Key Stage 3 – Maths



Yr 7 Expectations	Reporting	Yr 8 Expectations	Reporting	Yr 9 Expectations	Reporting	Assessment Objective Number	Assessment Objective Algebra	Assessment Objective Geometry	-	Assessment Objective Application in context
				Mastered	Well Above Expectations	understand the equivalence between recurring decimals and fractions use fractions or percentages to solve problems involving repeated proportional changes or the calculation of the original quantity given the result of a proportional change • solve problems involving calculating with powers, roots and numbers expressed in standard form, checking for correct order of magnitude and using a calculator as appropriate	• factorise quadratic expressions including the difference of two squares, e.g. x2 − 9 = (x + 3) (x − 3) • manipulate algebraic formulae, equations and expressions, finding common factors and multiplying two linear expressions • derive and use more complex formulae and change the subject of a formula • evaluate algebraic formulae, substituting fractions, decimals and negative numbers • solve inequalities in two variables and find the solution set • sketch, interpret and identify graphs of linear, quadratic, cubic and reciprocal functions, and graphs that model real situations • understand the effect on a graph of addition of (or multiplication by) a constant	understand and use congruence and mathematical similarity understand and use trigonometrical relationships in right-angled triangles, and use these to solve problems, including those involving bearings understand the difference between formulae for perimeter, area and volume in simple contexts by considering dimensions	quartiles and interquartile range for large data sets, including using a cumulative frequency diagram compare two or more distributions and make inferences, using the shape of the distributions and measures of average and spread	develop and follow alternative methods and approaches

	Well Above Expectations		Above Expectations	understand and use proportionality Convert numbers to and from Standard Form calculate the result of any proportional change using multiplicative methods understand the effects of multiplying and dividing by numbers between 0 and 1 add, subtract, multiply and divide fractions make and justify estimates and approximations of calculations; estimate calculations by rounding numbers to one significant figure and multiplying and dividing mentally use a calculator efficiently and appropriately to perform complex calculations with numbers of any size, knowing not to round during intermediate steps of a calculation	square a linear expression, and expand and simplify the product of two linear expressions of the form (x ± n) and simplify the corresponding quadratic expression • use algebraic –and graphical methods to solve simultaneous linear equations in two variables • solve inequalities in one variable and represent the solution set on a number line • use formulae from mathematics and other subjects; substitute numbers into expressions and formulae; derive a formula and, in simple cases, change its subject • find the next term and nth term of quadratic sequences and functions and explore their properties • plot graphs of simple quadratic and cubic functions, e.g. y = x2, y = 3x2 + 4, y = x	understand and apply Pythagoras' theorem when solving problems in 2-D • calculate lengths, areas and volumes in plane shapes and right prisms • enlarge 2-D shapes, given a centre of enlargement and a fractional scale factor, on paper and using ICT; recognise the similarity of the resulting shapes • find the locus of a point that moves according to a given rule, both by reasoning and using ICT • recognise that measurements given to the nearest whole unit may be inaccurate by up to one half of the unit in either direction • understand and use measures of speed (and other compound measures such as density or pressure) to solve problems	using statistical methods, frame questions and raise conjectures; identify possible sources of bias and plan how to minimise it • select, construct and modify, on paper and using ICT suitable graphical representation to progress an enquiry including frequency polygons and lines of best fit on scatter graphs • estimate the mean, median and range of a set of grouped data and determine the modal class, selecting the statistic most appropriate to the line of enquiry • compare two or more distributions and make inferences, using the shape of the distributions and measures of average and range • understand relative frequency as an estimate of probability and use this to compare outcomes of an experiment	extend the mathematics used to generate fuller solutions • give reasons for choice of presentation, explaining selected features and showing insight into the problems structure • justify generalisations, arguments or solutions • appreciate the difference between mathematical explanation and experimental evidence
A constant	Mastered	Extended		•	 plot graphs of simple quadratic and cubic functions, e.g. y = x2, y = 3x2 	, , ,	frequency as an estimate of probability and use this to compare outcomes of an	

Mastered	Well Above Expectations	Above Expectations	Secure	Meeting Expectations	use the equivalence of fractions, decimals and percentages to compare proportions • calculate percentages and find the outcome of a given percentage increase or decrease • divide a quantity into two or more parts in a given ratio and solve problems involving ratio and direct proportion • use proportional reasoning to solve a problem, choosing the correct numbers to take as 100%, or as a whole • add and subtract fractions by writing them with a common denominator, calculate fractions of quantities (fraction answers), multiply and divide an integer by a fraction	use systematic trial and improvement methods and ICT tools to find approximate solutions to equations such as x 3 + x = 20 • construct and solve linear equations with integer coefficients, using an appropriate method • generate terms of a sequence using term -to -term and position -to -term definitions of the sequence, on paper and using ICT; write an expression to describe the nth term of an arithmetic sequence • plot the graphs of linear functions, where y is given explicitly in terms of x; recognise that equations of the form y = mx + c correspond to straight -line graphs • construct functions arising from real -life problems and plot their corresponding graphs; interpret graphs arising from real situations	classify quadrilaterals by their geometric properties • solve geometrical problems using properties of angles, of parallel and intersecting lines, and of triangles and other polygons • identify alternate and corresponding angles; understand a proof that the sum of the angles of a triangle is 180° and of a quadrilateral is 360° • devise instructions for a computer to generate and transform shapes and paths • visualise and use 2 -D representations of 3 -D objects • enlarge 2 -D shapes, given a centre of enlargement and a positive whole -number scale factor • know that translations, rotations and reflections preserve length and angle and map objects onto congruent images • use straight edge and compasses to do standard constructions • deduce and use formulae for the area of a triangle and parallelogram, and the volume of a cuboid; calculate volumes and surface areas of cuboids • know and use the formulae for the circumference and area of a circle, use Π in exact calculations	from one or more sources; design, trial and, if necessary, refine data collection sheets; construct tables for large discrete and continuous sets of raw data, choosing suitable class intervals; design and use two -way tables • Display data using Stem & Leaf diagrams • select, construct and modify, on paper and using ICT: • pie charts for categorical data • bar charts and frequency diagrams for discrete and continuous data	through substantial tasks by breaking them into smaller, more manageable tasks, usi a range of efficient technique methods and resources, including ICT; give solutions an appropriate degree of accuracy interpret, discuss and synthesise information presented in a variety of mathematical forms present a concise, reason argument, using symbols, diagrams, graphs and relate explanatory texts use logical argument to establish the truth of a statement
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Expectations value to multiply and divide symbolic form, and use properties of 2-D and 3-D answer them and collect the in the data required to the interpretations whole numbers and decimals simple formulae involving shapes and identify all the data required to the interpretations of the interpretations and identify all the data required to the interpretations of the interpretations are properties of 2-D and 3-D.	 identify and obtain necessary information to carry through a task and solve mathematical problems check results, considering
whole numbers and decimals simple formulae involving shapes and identify all the data required t	task and solve mathematical problems
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by 10, 100 and 1000 and one or two operations symmetries of 2 -D shapes • in probability, select probability, select probability, select probability is the same of the same	
	 check results considering
explain the effect • use and interpret • use language associated methods based on equally	- check results, considering
• round decimals to the coordinates in all four with angle and know and use likely outcomes and	whether these are reasonable
nearest decimal place and quadrants the angle sum of a triangle experimental evidence, as	 solve word problems and
order negative numbers in and that of angles at a point appropriate	investigations from a range of
context • reason about position and • understand and use the c	contexts
• recognise and use number movement and transform probability scale from 0 to 1	 show understanding of
patterns and relationships shapes • understand and use the	situations by describing them
• use equivalence between • measure and draw angles mean of discrete data and r	mathematically using symbols,
fractions and order fractions to the nearest degree, when compare two simple	words and diagrams
	 draw simple conclusions of
	their own and give an
	explanation of their reasoning
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Expectations • understand simple ratio instruments, explaining what outcomes may result from	
• use known facts, place each labelled division repeating an experiment	
value, knowledge of represents • interpret graphs and	
operations and brackets to • solve problems involving diagrams, including pie charts,	
calculate including using all the conversion of units and and draw conclusions	
four operations with make sensible estimates of a • create and interpret line	
decimals to two places range of measures in relation graphs where the intermediate	
• use a calculator where to everyday situations values have meaning	
appropriate to calculate • understand and use the	
fractions/percentages of formula for the area of a	
quantities/measurements rectangle and distinguish	
• understand and use an area from perimeter	
appropriate non -calculator	
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method for solving problems that involve multiplying and dividing any three digit number by	
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	Meeting		Below		recognise and describe	begin to use simple formulae	use the properties of 2 -D	collect and record discrete	develop own strategies for
	Expectations		Expectations		number patterns	expressed in words • use and	and 3 -D shapes	data	solving problems
					 recognise and describe 	interpret coordinates in the	 make 3 -D models by linking 	• group data, where	 use their own strategies
					number relationships	first quadrant	given faces or edges and	appropriate, in equal class	within mathematics and in
					including multiple, factor and		draw common 2-D shapes in	intervals	applying mathematics to
					square		different orientations on	 continue to use Venn and 	practical contexts
					 use place value to multiply 		grids	Carroll diagrams to record	 present information and
					and divide whole numbers by		 reflect simple shapes in a 	their sorting and classifying of	results in a clear and organised
					10 or 100		mirror line, translate shapes	information	way
					 recognise approximate 		horizontally or vertically and	 construct and interpret 	 search for a solution by
					proportions of a whole and		begin to rotate a simple	frequency diagrams and	trying out ideas of their own
					use simple fractions and		shape or object about its	simple line graphs	
					percentages to describe		centre or a vertex	 understand and use the 	
					these		 choose and use 	mode and range to describe	
					 order decimals to three 		appropriate units and	sets of data	
					decimal places		instruments		
					 begin to understand simple 		 interpret, with appropriate 		
					ratio		accuracy, numbers on a		
					 use a range of mental 		range of measuring		
					methods of computation		instruments		
					with all operations		 find perimeters of simple 		
					 recall multiplication facts 		shapes and find areas by		
					up to 10×10 and quickly		counting squares		
					derive corresponding division				
					facts				
					 use efficient written 				
					methods of addition and				
					subtraction and of short				
					multiplication and division				
					 multiply a simple decimal 				
					by a single digit				
					 solve problems with or 				
					without a calculator				
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	Below Expectations			Well Below Expectations	understand place value in numbers to 1000	• recognise a wider range of sequences • begin to	classify 3 -D and 2 -D shapes in various ways using	gather informationconstruct bar charts and	select the mathematics tuse in a wider range of
					 use place value to make approximations 	understand the role of '=' (the 'equals' sign)	mathematical properties such as reflective symmetry	pictograms, where the symbol represents a group of units	classroom activities try different approache
					recognise negative		for 2 -D shapes	• use Venn and Carroll	find ways of overcoming
					numbers in contexts such as temperature		 begin to recognise nets of familiar 3-D shapes, e.g. 	diagrams to record their sorting and classifying of	difficulties that arise who they are solving problem
					use simple fractions that		cube, cuboid, triangular	information	begin to organise their
					are several parts of a whole		prism, square -based pyramid	extract and interpret	and check results
					and recognise when two		• recognise shapes in	information presented in	 use and interpret
					simple fractions are		different orientations and	·	mathematical symbols a
					equivalent		reflect shapes, presented on	and pictograms	diagrams
					 begin to use decimal 		a grid, in a vertical or		 understand a general
					notation in contexts such as		horizontal mirror line		statement by finding par
					money		describe position and		examples that match it
					 derive associated division facts from known 		movement • use a wider range of		• review their work and
					multiplication facts		measures including non -		reasoning
					add and subtract two digit		standard units and standard		
					numbers mentally		metric units of length,		
					add and subtract three		capacity and mass in a range		
					digit numbers using written		of contexts		
					method		 use standard units of time 		
					 multiply and divide two 				
					digit numbers by 2, 3, 4 or 5				
					as well as 10 with whole				
					number answers and				
					remainders • use mental recall of				
					use mental recall of addition and subtraction				
					facts to 20 in solving				
					problems involving larger				
					numbers				
D0					 solve whole number 				
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		Well Below	count sets of objects reliably	recognise sequences of	use mathematical names for	sort objects and classify them	select the mathematics they
		Expectations	 begin to understand the 	numbers, including odd and	common 3 -D and 2 -D	using more than one criterion	use in some classroom
			place value of each digit; use	even numbers	shapes	 understand vocabulary 	activities
			this to order numbers up to		 describe their properties, 	relating to handling data	 discuss their work using
			100		including numbers of sides	 collect and sort data to test 	mathematical language
			 begin to use halves and 		and corners	a simple hypothesis	 begin to represent their
			quarters and relate the		 describe the position of 	 record results in simple lists, 	work using symbols and simple
			concept of half of a small		objects	tables, pictograms and block	diagrams
			quantity to the concept of		 distinguish between 	graphs	 predict what comes next in a
			half of a shape		straight and turning	 communicate their findings, 	simple number, shape or
			 use the knowledge that 		movements, recognise right	using the simple lists, tables,	spatial pattern or sequence
			subtraction is the inverse of		angles in turns and	pictograms and block graphs	and give reasons for their
			addition and understand		understand angle as a	they have recorded	opinions
			halving as a way of 'undoing'		measurement of turn		 explain why an answer is
			doubling and vice versa		 begin to use a wider range 		correct
			 use mental recall of 		of measures including to use		
			addition and subtraction		everyday non -standard and		
			facts to 10		standard units to measure		
1 1			 use mental calculation 		length and mass		
			strategies to solve number		 begin to understand that 		
			problems including those		numbers can be used not		
			involving money and		only to count discrete objects		
			measures		but also to describe		
			 record their work in writing 		continuous measures		
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