



# Hughenden Primary School

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Dear Parents,

We are delighted to inform you that we have purchased the leading Maths scheme Inspire Maths. Inspire Maths is a whole school primary maths programme, based on Singapore #1 maths series, that provides everything to support a mastery approach to mathematics and meet the higher expectations of the 2014 National Curriculum. The scheme focuses on the mastery of Maths concepts of fluency, reasoning and problem solving at the heart of every lesson.

We recognise, along with the DfE, that the SATS testing in 2016 produced some unreliable results to the point that schools would not be judged on these results as they were so misleading and skewed, especially for schools with small cohorts, like ourselves, hence this very positive purchase.

Whilst our children have always been good at Maths and won County competitions, we must be sure they are able to transfer these skills and learn to apply them to a deeper and broader depth. Being able to answer questions in Maths reasoning and problem solving, as well as meeting the higher demands of current testing is a requirement.

As some of you may be aware, we have also introduced daily Maths reasoning and problem solving questions inspired by collaborative work with the County Maths Hub. We are raising the profile of Maths in our school by the re-introduction of weekly Cracking Times Tables, alongside Maths certificates and daily RM Easimaths. This greatly enhances their fluency and problem solving, especially when it is also completed at home.

We have a host of resources on the Home Learning section of our school website: [www.hughenden.eschools.co.uk](http://www.hughenden.eschools.co.uk)

Numbergym username: Hughenden, password: numbergym  
RM Easimaths – each child has their own login

These should be used as part of the consolidation and extension of their homework. These are expensive resources which can make a big impact on the children's learning.

In order to support you with the challenges of the current Maths curriculum, we would like to invite you and your children to a series of Maths workshops run by our teachers and County Maths Consultant. The first workshop is being held on the 11<sup>th</sup> January 2017 with the Excellence in Maths Leader, Will Connolly.

If any parent would like to talk particularly about Maths in our school, please come in and see us.

Yours sincerely

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