



Dear parent/carer,

We would like to offer your son/daughter an exciting opportunity offered by East Sussex County Council to join weekly live online GCSE mathematics revision lessons between now and the summer examinations. The online revision lessons will be delivered live by an experienced mathematics teacher, supported by 'At School Online', a company based at *The Innovation Centre at Sussex University* who are specialists in online training. The online lessons will reinforce the work done in school each week and allow your son/daughter to make greater progress in mathematics and be well prepared to do their very best in the GCSE exams at the end of Year 11.

During the last academic year 'At School Online' worked with schools in Brighton offering revision sessions to Year 10 and 11 students. Rather than using static e-learning, their method involves a teacher delivering learning live to students at a pre-scheduled time. In feedback from the students we learned that they were highly enthused about learning in the online environment; in fact, 99% of students who responded indicated that they wanted more online lessons. Students who had previously experienced difficulties learning in a busy classroom reported that these issues ceased to exist online. One student commented, "It was like the teacher was just talking to me."

Working with teachers 'At School Online' has shown the potential for the online model to support students who need help to keep up and / or consolidate their learning. Online learning allows increased coverage and therefore learning; about twice the amount of content can be covered in the same amount of time compared to classroom teaching. At School Online's experience has been that learning online is engaging, interactive, focused and allows interaction from all students including those who are reticent or shy. Feedback by polls or more open questions allows all students to engage and allows the teacher to respond and cover areas where there is weak understanding or support specific students individually.

Your son/daughter will be accessing a weekly one-hour lesson, which will take place between 4.30-6.45pm on a Monday or Tuesday evening. An exact slot will be allocated after all pupils have returned their consent forms and these are received by At School Online.

This is an exciting opportunity which we hope that your son/daughter will take up. Please return the consent form to enable participation in this exciting opportunity.

Yours faithfully,

Mr C Connor
Vice Principal
Ark Alexandra Academy



Maths Revision Sessions from At School Online – Pupil Consent Form

What is this project?

The school is involved in a pilot scheme to allow you to access additional online maths revision sessions. These sessions will run online and will be accessible remotely via the internet. The pilot is being run jointly by East Sussex County Council and a company called At School Online. This is extra mathematics tuition that you and all pupils in some other East Sussex schools have the opportunity to benefit from at no additional cost. We are hoping that every student we invite to take part will want to do so as we hope this will have a positive impact on your GCSE mathematics outcome this year.

What data about me will you need? Why?

Personal data about you will need to be processed to allow you to log in to these revision sessions, to remind you of upcoming sessions and record which sessions you have viewed. The categories of personal data that will need to be processed are your name, school, GCSE tier of entry, GCSE forecast grades and preferred email address. We will also process your final examination grade when it is available.

Who will this data be shared with?

This personal data will be collected by your school but will then need to be shared with East Sussex County Council (who are commissioning this service) and At School Online (who are running the sessions). Both organisations have strict data protection measures in place and your data will only be used in accordance with the relevant data protection legislation.

I consent to the processing of my personal data, as outlined above, to enable me to access the revisions sessions from At School Online.

Pupil name: _____

Pupil tutor group: _____

School: _____

In order to access the online revision sessions, you will need to provide an email address. This can be your school email or your personal email account. This should be an account you check regularly though as At School Online will send you reminders about upcoming sessions in advance.

Please provide your preferred email address below.

You have the option to withdraw your consent at any time. Please let your teacher know if you wish to withdraw you consent.

You also have other rights in relation to the processing of your personal data. For more details, see the school privacy notice available at <https://arkalexandra.org/our-policies>.