

# Implementation: Curriculum Narrative



**Subject: Maths**

**Year: 8**

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## Key Knowledge

*Pupils will know*

Key Threshold Concepts:

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- Know the first 15 square numbers and first 5 cube numbers
- Know the symbols =, ≠, <, >, ≤, ≥
- Know the order of operations (BIDMAS) including brackets
- Know basic algebraic notation
- Know that area of a trapezium =  $((a + b) \div 2) \times h$
- Know the names and properties of special triangles and quadrilaterals
- Know how to write a number as a product of its prime factors
- Know how to round to significant figures and decimal places
- Know that circumference =  $2\pi r = \pi d$
- Know that area of a circle =  $\pi r^2$
- Know that probability is measured on a 0-1 scale
- Know that the sum of all probabilities for a single event is 1
- Know the methods of dealing with ratio as parts of an overall problem
- Know the difference between the ways of displaying statistical data

## Key Skills

*Pupils will be able to*

Subject Skills:

- Use positive integer powers and associated real roots
- Apply the four operations with decimal numbers
- Write a quantity as a fraction or percentage of another
- Use multiplicative reasoning to interpret percentage change
- Add, subtract, multiply and divide with fractions and mixed numbers
- Simplify and manipulate expressions by collecting like terms
- Simplify and manipulate expressions by multiplying a single term over a bracket
- Substitute numbers into formulae
- Solve linear equations in one unknown
- Apply the four operations with negative numbers
- Apply the multiplication, division and power laws of indices
- Factorise an expression by taking out common factors
- Change the subject of a formula when two steps are required
- Solve linear equations with unknowns on both sides
- To be able to manipulate ratio problems in context  
To be able to recognise pie charts, bar charts, line charts and display data in this format.



## Subject Specific Knowledge and Sequencing:

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*The KLA mathematics timeline and subject sequence of learning contains a number maths topic headings. Key concepts and skills are embedded within each of these topics*

**The skills and knowledge have been identified and highlighted where knowledge spirals within the subject.**

**An example of one topic and the spiral nature is below...**

Algebra Topics		
Year 7	Term 1	Sequences
Year 7	Term 1	Algebraic Notation
Year 7	Term 1	Equality and Equivalence
Year 8	Term 2	Brackets, Equations and Inequality
Year 8	Term 2	Sequences
Year 9	Term 1	Straight Line Graphs
Year 9	Term 1	Forming and Solving Equations
Year 9	Term 1	Testing Conjectures
Year 10 (Foundation)	Term 2	Algebra Quadratics, Rearranging Formulae and Identities
Year 10 (Foundation)	Term 2	Inequalities
Year 10 (Foundation)	Term 2	Simultaneous Equations
Year 10 (Foundation)	Term 2	Algebra and Graphs
Year 10 (Foundation)	Term 3	Solving Quadratic Equations
Year 10 (Higher)	Term 1	Algebra Quadratic, Rearranging Formula and Identities
Year 10 (Higher)	Term 2	Further Equations and Graphs
Year 10 (Higher)	Term 2	Simultaneous Equations
Year 10 (Higher)	Term 3	Inequalities
Year 11 (Foundation)	Term 1	Algebra Quadratics, Rearranging Formulae and Identities
Year 11 (Foundation)	Term 1	Algebra and Graphs
Year 11 (Foundation)	Term 1	Solving Quadratic Equations
Year 11 (Foundation)	Term 1	Quadratic Graphs
Year 11 (Higher)	Term 1	Further Equations and Graphs
Year 11 (Higher)	Term 1	Simultaneous Equations
Year 11 (Higher)	Term 1	Algebraic Fractions

## Prerequisites and Spiral Teaching:

- Key concepts and skills linked to and expanded from the Year 7 Overview.
- Leads into the Year 9 Overview, with many concepts revisited and investigated to a further degree.
- The designed Timeline of topics follows a similar format to those covered in Year 7, topics are adapted and extended from the following year. The mathematics involved is revisited in each topic spiralling from Year 7 and also within the same year.
- For example in the first term of Year 8 we explore numbers and number systems and counting and comparing, this then leads into calculating and then spirals later in the course to calculating with fractions, decimals and percentages.
- We move through number, algebra, geometry, probability, ratio and statistics throughout the course. The sequence is repeated throughout the year and throughout the student's time in KLA.
- Lesson starters are used to recap prior knowledge throughout the course from lesson to lesson.
- Teachers use lesson starter to constantly revisit previous knowledge throughout the course to enable students to become more familiar at recalling essential techniques and threshold concepts.
- Topic tests are used by teachers throughout the course to assess a student's ability at application and recall of key threshold concepts and techniques.
- A weekly 'torture time' is used by teachers to address the well documented issue surrounding the ability of students to quickly recall and use timetables information.

## Cross-Curricular Knowledge Links:

*Cross-curricular knowledge*

- Area calculations in technology
- Calorie calculation in PE/Food tech
- % increase and decrease in business
- Time calculations in history
- Quantity and units in Science

## Reading Lists / Sources / Reading around the subject recommendations:

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The KLA Maths department have a number of suggested further activities as a possible source of exploring around the topics covered in our Year 7 maths curriculum. We actively encourage the use of Sparx maths, and the PiXL App as methods of further a student's mathematical base and further problem solving. These NRICH puzzles or investigations have been



selected as a possible way to further discussion around the topics taught throughout year 8. The hyperlinks are below:

[Exploring primes activities](#)

[Eratosthenes' sieve](#)

[NRICH: Factors and multiples](#)

[NRICH: Powers and roots](#)

[NRICH: Greater than or less than?](#)

[NRICH: Cinema Problem](#)

[NRICH: Funny factorisation](#)

[NRICH: Skeleton](#)

[NRICH: Long multiplication](#)

[NRICH: Notes on a triangle](#)

[NRICH: Property chart](#)

[NRICH: Quadrilaterals game](#)

[NRICH: Your number is ...](#)

[NRICH: Crossed ends](#)

[NRICH: Number pyramids and More number pyramids](#)

[NRICH: Rod fractions](#)

[NRICH: Toad in the hole](#)

[NRICH: Mixing lemonade](#)

[NRICH: Food chains](#)

[NRICH: Tray bake](#)

[NRICH: Shifting times tables](#)

[NRICH: Odds and evens and more evens](#)

[NRICH: Temperature](#)

[NRICH: Triangle problem](#)

[NRICH: Square problem](#)

[NRICH: Two triangle problem](#)

[NRICH: Would you rather?](#)

[NRICH: Keep it simple](#)

[NRICH: Egyptian fractions](#)

[NRICH: The greedy algorithm](#)

[NRICH: Fractions jigsaw](#)

[NRICH: Countdown fractions](#)

[NRICH: Inspector Remorse](#)

[NRICH: Quince, quonce, quance](#)

[NRICH: Weighing the baby](#)

[NRICH: Can They Be Equal?](#)

[NRICH: Transformation Game](#)

[NRICH: Picturing the World](#)

[NRICH: Charting Success](#)

[NRICH: M, M and M](#)

[NRICH: The Wisdom of the Crowd](#)



<b>Autumn</b>	<b>Proportional Reasoning</b>			<b>Representations</b>		
	Ratio and scale	Multiplicative change	Multiplying and dividing fractions	Working in the Cartesian plane	Representing data	Tables & Probability
<b>Spring</b>	<b>Algebraic techniques</b>			<b>Developing Number</b>		
	Brackets, equations and inequalities		Sequences	Indices	Fractions and percentages	Standard index form
<b>Summer</b>	<b>Developing Geometry</b>			<b>Reasoning with Data</b>		
	Angles in parallel lines and polygons	Area of trapezia and circles	Line symmetry and reflection	The data handling cycle		Measures of location