

SETTING OVERVIEW

Pupils are set by ability in English, Maths and Science only.

Initially, these sets are based on KS2 SATs in Year 7 but after this point, all decisions on which classes pupils are placed in are informed by internal summative assessments and performance in class.

Our Heads of English, Maths, and Science are free to structure their sets to suit the demands of each subject and year group. Their chosen approach for the 2025-26 academic year is summarised below.

English

YEAR	ACADEMIC SET				
	B	E	S	T	X
7	Upper Set	3 Equal Mixed Ability Sets			Lower Set
8	Upper Set	3 Equal Mixed Ability Sets			Lower Set
9	Upper Set	3 Equal Mixed Ability Sets			Lower Set
10	Upper Set	3 Equal Mixed Ability Sets			Lower Set
11	Upper Set	3 Equal Mixed Ability Sets			Lower Set

Maths

YEAR	ACADEMIC SET				
	B	E	S	T	X
7	Upper Set	3 Equal Mixed Ability Sets			Lower Set
8	Upper Set	3 Equal Mixed Ability Sets			Lower Set
9	2 Equal Upper/Middle Sets		3 Equal Middle/Lower Sets		
10	3 Equal Sets (Higher Tier)			2 Equal Sets (Foundation Tier)	
11	2 Equal Sets (Higher Tier)		3 Equal Sets (Foundation Tier)		

Science

YEAR	ACADEMIC SET				
	B	E	S	T	X
7	Upper Set	Second Set	3 Equal Mixed Ability Sets		
8	Upper Set	Second Set	3 Equal Mixed Ability Sets		
9	Upper Set	Second Set	3 Equal Mixed Ability Sets		
10	2 Mixed Ability Sets (Triple)		Upper Set (Combined)	2 Equal Mixed Ability Sets (Combined)	
11	2 Mixed Ability Sets (Triple)		3 Equal Mixed Ability Sets (Combined)		

