

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 2026-27 academic year is summarised below.

English

YEAR	ACADEMIC SET				
	B	E	S	T	X
7	4 Equal Mixed Ability Classes				Nurture
8	4 Equal Mixed Ability Classes				Nurture
9	1	2	3	4	Nurture
10	1	2	3	4	Nurture
11	1	3 Equal Mixed Ability Classes			Nurture

Maths

YEAR	ACADEMIC SET				
	B	E	S	T	X
7	1	2	3	4	5
8	1	2	3	4	5
9	1	2	3	4	5
10	1 (Higher)	2 (Higher)	3 (Higher)	4 (Foundation)	5 (Foundation)
11	1 (Higher)	2 (Higher)	3 (Higher)	4 (Foundation)	5 (Foundation)

Science

YEAR	ACADEMIC SET				
	B	E	S	T	X
7	1	2	3 Equal Mixed Ability Classes		
8	1	2	3 Equal Mixed Ability Classes		
9	1	2	3 Equal Mixed Ability Classes		
10	3 Equal Mixed Ability Triple Science Classes			2 Equal Mixed Ability Combined Science Classes	
11	2 Equal Mixed Ability Triple Science Classes		Combined Science (Higher)	2 Equal Mixed Ability Combined Science Classes (Foundation)	