



Alternative Curriculum

Numeracy and Literacy Plus

Numeracy and Literacy Plus are taught in Years 8 and 9 to small groups of pupils for one hour per week each. The programmes are designed to support the teaching of the basic skills, knowledge and concepts of maths or literacy. They aim to build on topics covered in lessons whilst providing pupils with additional opportunities to reinforce fundamental skills. Through participation either programme it is hoped that pupils will develop positive attitudes to the subject whilst increasing their confidence.

A variety of approaches are used each lesson; discussion, worksheets, ICT resources, games and practical activities giving pupils opportunities to experience both independent and small group work. Working in a small group has proved to be extremely beneficial to individual pupil's achievement.

In addition to Numeracy and Literacy Plus, Number Group and specific reading, spelling and handwriting groups run for Year 7 pupils who have been identified as having some weakness in Numeracy or Literacy. These run during Tuesday and Thursday morning registration time. See "Interventions and Support" section.