

# The Warriner School

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Dear Parents, Carers and Guardians

I am writing to inform you about an adaptation to our curriculum for Term 5. From Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May there will be a pause to the provision of Computer Science at Key Stage 3 for the term. This decision has been taken in the best interests of the quality of education for our students. You may have noticed that nationally schools face challenges around recruitment and retention of staff. At The Warriner School we are fortunate to have many dedicated professionals, but those pressures are also felt at our school. We have been fortunate to have recruited a highly skilled teacher of Computing to lead the subject in September. However, staffing changes have meant that we do not have enough specialists to deliver the Key Stage 3 Computing curriculum until then. In response we have planned a curriculum that will support students' mastering maths.

During these sessions, students will be guided by staff to work on areas of the maths curriculum that they have previously struggled on. The maths team have resourced this, to ensure our specialists are designing the curriculum. This will be individual to each student using their maths assessment data. This will be on the Sparx maths platform. These sessions will allow students to work on their areas of need as well as build their independent study skills, which are vital as they move towards GCSEs in the next few years. The expectations of work will be modelled to students to show how they can be successful. As a result, students will have an increased understanding of the maths curriculum and will see an improvement in their assessment scores.

We want to reaffirm our commitment to Computing within the Key Stage 3 curriculum and we will review this decision at the end of the term. We also want to reassure you that we continue to have specialist provision at Key Stage 4 and Key Stage 5. We will keep you informed of any further changes.

Should you have any questions with specific reference to Sparx maths please contact Mr Hoad at [c.hoad@warriner.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:c.hoad@warriner.oxon.sch.uk) Should you have any concerns or questions with regards to the curriculum please contact [m.fisher@warriner.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:m.fisher@warriner.oxon.sch.uk)

Yours sincerely

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