



Aston Academy

Specialising in Maths & Computing

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Dear Parent/Carer

To support your son/daughter's progress through Mathematics in years 7 to 11 and beyond, I am inviting and encouraging all students to purchase a scientific calculator.

We are currently able to obtain one of the latest calculators available, the '**Casio FX-83GTX**' at the discounted price of **£9.00**. The calculator can also be purchased from other retailers and stationery stores. Alternatively, models FX-83GT Plus and FX-85GT Plus can also be used but we no longer sell these models in school.

The calculators listed above would all be ideal models for school lessons, for homework tasks and for further study. They are the specific calculators we use in Maths classes and the models that we often project onto the interactive white boards to demonstrate the various functions.

Although it is some time until your son/daughter will take their GCSE examinations, the use of a calculator will be permitted in 2 out of their 3 GCSE Maths examinations and in assessments for other subjects too. Familiarity with their own calculator is one factor that can support students on the day of their examinations.

You will be able to pay via the on line 'parents pay' system once your child has started school, alternatively please send in cash or cheque in an envelope with your son/daughter's name on and details of the payment, and hand back to reception.

Calculators will be issued to students as soon as practically possible during the Autumn Term.

Yours faithfully

Mr C Esberger
Assistant Vice Principal



All adults in school have a responsibility to safeguard and promote the welfare of children.