

West Dorset Schools Collaboration Maths Intent

Our intention is to establish equitable mathematics classrooms in our schools, where all learners have opportunities to be immersed in and engaged with meaningful mathematical activities. This means supporting learners to be the best and most confident mathematicians they can be and will include:

- Learning through talk and learning to talk (oracy)
- Identifying and building on prior learning and existing understanding
- A focus on relational understanding (making links between areas of learning)
- Experiences underpinned by reasoning, problem-solving and fluency
- An ethos that encourages learners to explore and have a go
- Engaging in positive, purposeful struggle
- Learners being comfortable with not always being right and understand this is an opportunity to learn

This intent statement shows the common principles that our maths leaders have agreed across the 9 Primary Schools and Beaminster Secondary School. All our schools within our Collaboration are working on Maths Collaboration Project commissioned by the Collaboration Headteachers and facilitated by Dr Ruth Trundle (Babcock Primary Maths Adviser (team lead) and Jurassic Maths Hub Lead (primary and early years).