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## **Year 9 Mathematics Masterclasses at the University of Plymouth**

You have been given this letter because your child's mathematics teacher feel that they would enjoy and benefit from attending a series of Mathematics Masterclasses at the University of Plymouth.

2026 sees the 28<sup>th</sup> series of the annual Year 9 Mathematics Masterclasses at the University of Plymouth which are part of a nationwide programme in association with the Royal Institution. The series consists of 6 sessions each exploring a topic which is not covered in the school's curriculum and are designed to stretch you, either in content and/or in difficulty.

The classes are on a Saturday morning (10:00 – 12:30) and will be held on the main campus of Plymouth University (PL4 8AA). The dates for the 2026 series are Saturday 24th January, Saturday 31st January, Saturday 7th February, Saturday 7th March, Saturday 14th March and Saturday 21st March. Although each session will be a stand-alone class, I hope that they can attend all 6 classes for you to get the most out of the series.

The University of Plymouth is able to cover the cost of these masterclasses for all students who wish to attend. The condition is that you are committed and try to attend the majority of the 6 sessions.

If your child would like to attend the year 9 Mathematics Masterclass Series then you need to inform your child's mathematics teacher as soon as possible. The teacher will then send me the names of the students who would like to attend.

I will then send the mathematics teacher a link which they will forward to you. This contains full details of the classes and you will need complete a contact/medical/photo consent form.

If you or your child need any further details, you can ask your mathematics teacher, or you can contact me by email: [jsharp@plymouth.ac.uk](mailto:jsharp@plymouth.ac.uk)

Best Wishes

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