

SETTING AND GROUPING POLICY

1. Principles

The College groups students in consultation with departments in order to maximise the achievement of students of all abilities. The setting structure varies from year to year depending on the ability profile of the cohort and the courses being followed.

2. Practice

- 2.1. Mixed ability groups are taught as tutor groups to facilitate ease of timetabling.
- 2.2. A whole year group is treated as two half-year cohorts for the purposes of setting.
- 2.3. No teaching group in the College can exceed 30.
- 2.4. Setting structures for each half-year cohort are agreed with the Assistant Principal (I1-I6) and Deputy Principal (Learning) before being published.

Ratified by the Learning Committee of the Governing Body
28th September 2009

APPENDIX

SETTING FROM 2009/2010

YEAR 7

Year 7 sets in Maths and MFL in 2 parallel half-year groups
All others mixed ability

YEAR 8

Sets in Maths, MFL, Science, English in 3 parallel groups (9 sets in total)
All others mixed ability

YEAR 9

Sets in Maths, MFL, Science, English in 2 parallel half-year groups
All others mixed ability

YEAR 10

Sets in Maths, Science, English. Within option columns there is setting in French.
All others mixed ability

YEAR 11

Sets in Maths, Science, English. Within option columns there is setting in French.
All others mixed ability