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Dear Parent/Guardian

## Maths Calculators - 2023

To assist your child in fulfilling their potential in Maths at Wallingford School, we thought it important to contact you regarding equipment.

Calculators are an important mathematical tool; it is our aim to enable students to appreciate when it is appropriate to use a calculator and when it is not. We also need to teach students how to use their calculator effectively as the many makers of calculator available differ considerably in calculation. We are therefore writing to ask you to ensure that your son/daughter has a scientific calculator. We recommend the **Casio fx-85GT CW**. This calculator will be suitable to use from year 7 through to your child's GCSE exams in Year 11.

We have the calculators in school which you can purchase via Parentpay. Payment needs to be made using the online **Parentpay** website, www.parentpay.com. The Parentpay letter was emailed on **14th June 2022** with clear instructions of how to activate your account.

| Amount to pay | When payment due by       | Parentpay Reference       |
|---------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| £14.00        | 8 <sup>th</sup> July 2023 | Year 7 Calculator 2023/24 |

Calculators paid for by the above date will be issued to the students during their maths lessons at the start of term in September.

We also strongly recommend that your child has a protractor and pair of compass as this is essential for their work. These items will be suitable for your child's time at Wallingford School and can be bought from the main school office. Compass - 50p Protractor – 50p.

If you need any further assistance or have questions about suitable maths equipment, then please do not hesitate to make contact.

Yours sincerely

Mrs J Ramsay Head of Maths