

## **What is Study Plus?**

The aim of Study Plus (part of the *Secondary National Strategy*) is to raise GCSE standards for a target group of pupils to support them towards attaining 5+ GCSEs (grades A\*-C), including English and Mathematics.

Our target group of pupils are:

- Pupils who are not on track to attain grade C in English or Mathematics but have the potential to achieve at this level
- Pupils who may need additional help to support the numeracy/literacy needs in their other subjects

For example:

- Pupils who end KS3 on level 4 or at a low level 5 in Mathematics and/or English
- Pupils predicted by teacher assessment in the latter part of Year 9 to attain grades D or E at GCSE.

**N.B.** Study Plus has not been designed as a curriculum solution for groups of pupils who are:

- Very low attainers
- Poor attenders
- Very disaffected learners with poor behaviour

### **Essential features of Study Plus 1**

- Study Plus is a 5-6 term programme that is timetabled during the school day for at least two lessons a week – typically pupils opt for it as part of the school's option programme
- Study Plus is planned as a sequence of around 20 English or Mathematics units or a mixture of the two – each unit lasting 3-4 weeks
- Teaching in each unit is focused by a cluster of curricular targets that have been identified as relevant to the group and individuals by using the English and Mathematics progression maps

### **How it is being implemented at Newlands in September**

Study Plus is being introduced as an option in Y10 whereby there will be two classes studying five lessons of Study Plus per fortnight. The five lessons will consist of developing skills in Maths and English and will be taught by subject teachers.

In Y11, there will be an English Study Plus group and a Maths Study Plus group (each group consisting of different students). Students will have one lesson of Study Plus per week.