

**University of Kent Royal Institution
Mathematics Masterclasses for Year 9**

**Held at 10:30-12:00 on
Saturday 6th June, 13th June and 20th June 2026
at the University of Kent, Canterbury**

Dear Colleague,

The School of Engineering, Mathematics and Physics at the University of Kent is delighted to offer Mathematics Masterclasses in association with the [Royal Institution \(Ri\)](#). We would like to invite you to nominate up to five pupils from Year 9 to participate in Saturday Mathematics Masterclasses on the dates above, free of charge.

Ri Mathematics Masterclasses are a series of workshops which are led by experts from academia and education; they will be speaking on topics in which they are at the forefront of current research. They offer students in-depth investigations of topics in mathematics combining theory with interactive exploration. We will open their eyes to the world of maths and hope to inspire them to continue their engagement with the subject.

Students nominated should be in Year 9 in 2025/26 and be judged to have interest in the classes. We aim to challenge students who are well-motivated and curious about Mathematics and may be inspired to carry on Mathematics beyond GCSE. We are keen to reach students for whom other opportunities may not be readily available. They are required to join all three classes in the series. The University of Kent is strongly committed to equality, diversity and inclusivity and we encourage teachers to support this through their nominations. The Masterclasses will be delivered in person at the University of Kent's Canterbury campus – participating students will need to travel to the university for the sessions.

We hope that you will be able to take advantage of this opportunity for your students and look forward to receiving your completed nomination form. See overleaf for instructions on how to nominate your students.

Yours sincerely,



Dr Rowena Paget
Senior Lecturer in Mathematics

How to nominate students

Select the right students

Students selected should be in Year 9 in 2025/26 and be judged to have interest in the classes. Identify **five** students who meet these criteria.

Provide us with the details of the nominated students

- Seek parental permission to nominate these students and to pass on the following information to the masterclass organisers at the University of Kent: student name; parent/carer name; parent/carer email address.
- Once you have the permission and information listed above for all of the students, complete the below nomination form to provide us with this information:

<https://forms.office.com/e/sWqr9ktSvB>

- Complete and submit the form **by Thursday 14th May 2026**.

What happens next?

Masterclasses are sometimes oversubscribed so we cannot guarantee that all nominated students will gain a place. We will notify you by Friday 15th May to confirm the students offered a place. We will also email the parent/carer directly with a link to a consent form that must be completed to secure the student's place.

How we use and manage your data

This activity is provided by the University of Kent and is designed to give you an insight into studying Mathematics at university, and to support you in your studies in Mathematics. We work in collaboration with other universities in Kent and Medway - Canterbury Christ Church University, The University for the Creative Arts and The University of Greenwich. Together, we fund the Kent and Medway Progression Federation (KMPF). We are all committed to helping students like you make decisions about your future.

What is personal data?

Personal data is information about you, like your name, where you live, what school you go to and when you were born. It also includes your views if we ask you to complete a survey.

Why are you collecting my personal data?

We would like to see you again and this will help us check if we do. We also use your data to explore if our activities make a difference to students like you. We think everyone should have a fair shot at going to university if they want to and our activities aim to help with that. To understand what happens to you after this activity, using your data we find out how you do in your A Levels/BTEC (or similar qualifications). We check if you decide to go to university. But do not worry, we are not just checking on you - we look at the info from lots of students together. Your name and personal details stay private.

If you disclose any medical condition or accessibility requirements this will be shared with the event staff in order to provide you with additional support and to ensure the event is accessible to all. This information will not be added to the HEAT database and will be deleted once the event has finished.

Will you share my data with anyone?

Your information will be kept in a database called HEAT, managed by a team at the University of Kent. They share your info with some other groups:

- The Office for Students (OfS - to meet our regulatory requirements)
- The Higher Education Statistics Agency (HESA - to see whether you go to university)
- The University and Colleges Admissions Service (UCAS - to see whether you apply to university)
- The Department for Education (DfE - to see how you did in your GCSEs and A level/BTEC or similar)
- Higher Education Access Tracker service subscribers (to make sure lots of different students are getting involved)
- The Kent and Medway Progression Federation (KMPF - to enable us to evaluate our work and ensure we are working with different students across Kent and Medway)

- The National Data Service (NDS - to see how you did in your GCSEs and A level/BTEC or similar)
- The Medical Schools Council (MSC) - for monitoring and evaluation of Medical School outreach delivery

Your data will be shared with the KMPF team and if you work with any of the partner universities, they will be able to see that you attended an activity with the University of Kent. For the activities we run, we might need to tell your school/college that you joined in. But don't worry, we will only share basic details, like your name. This event is run in collaboration with The Royal Institution and we will share with them aggregated data on the number of students, adults and schools who take part. We will not share your personal data with The Royal Institution. The university and its partners will keep your data safe and not share it with anyone else.

Where is my data stored? Who can see it?

We keep your data safe on our computers. Only people who work for us or those we allow can see it.

How long will you keep my data?

Your data will be kept for a long time. If you have given us your first name, last name, date of birth and postcode then we will keep it for 15 years from the school year after you turn 18 in order to see whether you go to university in this time. If you decide you don't want your data kept or used during this time, just email us at dataprotection@kent.ac.uk and ask for it to be removed.

What are my rights?

Everyone has rights regarding the use of their personal data. You can find out about your personal data rights on the ICO website: ico.org.uk/for-the-public

Can I find out more?

Of course! You can access a copy of our full privacy notice at www.kent.ac.uk/schools-and-colleges/outreach-booking. If you have any questions or need any more information, please contact us at outreach@kent.ac.uk

HEAT and HESA provide more information about how they use your data on their own privacy notices, which you can access via:

HEAT's Privacy Notice: [HEAT Privacy Notice](#)

HESA's Privacy Notice: [Collection notices | HESA](#)

You can ask for a copy of the information we hold about you, or ask for changes to be made if you think we have got something wrong. You can also complain to the Information Commissioner, who checks that we are using your data correctly.

How do I contact you?

If you want to get in touch with us, then please contact us by emailing dataprotection@kent.ac.uk

