

UK Team Maths Challenge

John Hansen, Dominic O'Loughlin, Lex Walker and Kuankuan Lin made up a team which represented the school at the Regional Final of this year's UK Mathematics Trust Team Maths Challenge last Friday.

The Regional Final was held at the Centre for Mathematical Sciences on Wilberforce Road in Cambridge. The UKMT has been running this Team Competition for the more able Year 8 and 9 mathematicians since 2003 and St Faith's won this round in 2015. The competition combines mathematical, communication and teamwork skills and offers pupils another way to express and develop their enjoyment of Mathematics. There are four rounds including a cross-number round, a relay round, a shuttle round and a group round. If you want to have a go at any of the questions then click on this link <https://www.ukmt.org.uk/team-challenges/team-challenge/#ancDownloads>.

The pupils made a fantastic start and were in the top three at lunch after two rounds and were potentially top (they did not give our exact position). The shuttle round did not go our way and we dropped out of the top ten to finish a very respectable 11th in the end. The winner on the day was King's School, Cambridge who will go on to compete in the National Finals in June which are held in London.

The pupils very much enjoyed this challenging and engaging day.