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Dear Parent/ Carers

We would like to invite you to our **KS1/KS2 Maths Mastery Parent workshop on Thursday 15th Nov 9-10.15am**. The focus of the workshop is to further parent/ carer understanding of maths mastery and allow you to see firsthand maths mastery in action. We started our journey towards teaching for mastery at Glazebury C of E Primary School last academic year, which is fully consistent with the Primary National Curriculum in England.

Teaching for mastery is underpinned by a belief in the importance of mathematics and that the vast majority of children can succeed in learning. The whole class is taught mathematics together, with no differentiation by acceleration to new content. The learning needs of individual pupils are addressed through careful scaffolding, skilful questioning and appropriate rapid intervention, in order to provide the necessary support and challenge. The reasoning behind mathematical processes is emphasised. Teacher/pupil interaction explores in detail how answers were obtained, why the method/strategy worked and what might be the most efficient method/strategy. Precise mathematical language is used by teachers, so that mathematical ideas are conveyed with clarity and precision. Pupils are required to do the same (e.g. when talking about fractions, both the part and its relationship to the whole are incorporated into responses: "The shaded part of the circle is one quarter of the whole circle").

The workshop will run as follows:

9-9.25am	Introduction to maths mastery in our school hall for all.
9.25am	Year 6 pupils will escort parent/carers down to the appropriate KS1 or KS2 classroom where your child is.
9.30-10am	Lesson observation focused on maths mastery- you will sit next to your child and have an opportunity to observe/take part in maths mastery activities.
10-10.15am	Return to the hall and have an opportunity to ask questions and give feedback. Some resource ideas will be shared to take away.

We would love as many parent/carers to attend as possible. We realise you may have pupils in different classes so to address this we will be running regular parent workshops with the next planned for Spring 2019. Due to the nature of the event- EYFS are planning separate parent workshops with smaller groups of parents for the wellbeing of our youngest pupils.

Please return the slip by Friday 9th November to allow plenty of opportunity to prepare resources. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate in getting in touch.

Yours sincerely

Karen Wall
Assistant Headteacher

Pupil: _____

Class: _____

I will be attending the maths mastery parent workshop on Thur 15th Nov 9-10.15a

I cannot attend the maths parent workshop but would like a copy of information shared regarding maths mastery.