

Ysgol Calon Cymru Case Study



Mr Hardiman – Ysgol Calon Cymru – Case Study

Background

Mr Hardiman is a Maths teacher at Ysgol Calon Cymru (meaning 'Heart of Wales School'), a secondary comprehensive school with campuses in Builth Wells and Llandrindod Wells, Powys, Mid -Wales. The students' ages range between 11 and 18. The school's vision is to give all their learners the confidence to grow, to aim high, and to have aspiration for their own futures and self-worth.

Problem

Mr Hardiman wanted to help his students boost their grades in Maths. In order to do this, he knew his students needed reference material to use in lessons and outside the classroom. While standard textbooks covered the curriculum in detail he recognised his students found these textbooks heavy and cumbersome. He felt that something small, lightweight and easy to carry would be used more by his students, something that contained all the essential information he covered in his maths lessons that could also be used to help his students with their revision.

Solution

Mr Hardiman established that Daydream Education's Maths Pocket Poster Guide would solve his problem with the added benefit of saving the school a significant amount of money from their departmental budget.

The school paid for all of Mr Hardiman's Year 11 students to have a Maths Guide and he quickly realised that they were an invaluable resource. As every student has a Maths Guide Mr Hardiman can refer to them during lessons,



along with the relevant posters that he has pinned on the walls in the classroom. His students understand the reference he is making when using the Guide and they are able to use it as a study aid at home.

Outcome

The Maths Guides have had a positive impact on Mr Hardiman's students by providing them with easy access to the vital information they need to succeed. By having access to these Guides, his students feel more confident in their ability to learn. The books have also helped to encourage students to taking ownership of their learning.

The guides have provided the students support, guidance, and advice when it comes to researching and finding the answers they need.



"I would absolutely recommend these guides! They are the perfect material and can not be beaten on price. I would also highly recommend them to parents as they are small, convenient and rammed full of information. Ysgol Calon Cymru plan to continue buying all of Year 11 a Maths Guide at the start of their academic year to use continually during Maths lessons as the year progresses".

Barry Hardiman, Maths Teacher, Ysgol Calon Cymru