# MATHEMATICAL ASSOCIATION

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## Supporting mathematics in education

## May 2022 eNews

## Challenges: place your orders

### First Mathematics Challenge

The First Mathematics Challenge (FMC) is aimed at **pupils aged 7-9 years**.
A multiple choice paper is designed to excite and engage children in maths. Place your order today to take part this summer!

**20th June - 8th July 2022**

### Primary Mathematics Challenge

Orders for The Primary Mathematics Challenge (PMC) are now open. Sign your class up today for your pupils aged **9-11** to take part this November.

**7th - 18th November 2022**

## MA President  Dr Colin Foster

We would like to congratulate Colin on his new role as President of the MA, which began on 14th April 2022.

Colin is a Reader in Mathematics Education in the Department of Mathematics Education at Loughborough University, where he researches into all things related to learning and teaching mathematics.

Find out more about our new President Dr Colin Foster here on our 'meet the president' page of our website.

**Follow Colin on Twitter: @colinfoster77**

## President's Blog

Colin has begun to post his new educational blog and will do so every other Thursday to address issues of interest and relevance across the entire range of mathematics, from early years to university.

Read Colin's first blog as MA President here:
**_'Intro-ducing and outro-ducing methods'_**.
This blog focuses on how teachers introduce methods in mathematics - and also particularly the opposite: namely how we help learners to move on from methods.

Keep a look out this month for the following blogs:

**12th May** - Learning times tables efficiently
**26th May** - The often-unintuitive nature of probability

> **Register for Dr Colin Foster's Mathematics Education Blog**

## President's Events

Join Colin and co-presenter Dr Fay Baldry (University of Leicester) at the School of Education, University of Nottingham for their free online seminar.

**_Lesson Study in Initial Teacher Education: Maximising gains whilst navigating tensions_**

**Date:** 9th May
**Time:** 17:00 - 18.30
**Cost:** FREE

> **Register for this free seminar**

## President Designate

We are delighted to announce that Professor Nira Chamberlain OBE PhD HonDSc is our new President Designate, who will begin his Presidency of the MA in April 2023.

**Follow Nira on Twitter @ch_nira**

## Annual Conference 2022



Did you miss out on our 2022 Annual Conference?
Purchase your on-demand access ticket and watch back all content from our virtual sessions, £15 for MA members, £20 for non-members.

Click below to view the programme content:

**Day 1**

**Day 2**

> **Purchase access to on-demand conference content here**

## Save the date: Our first SEND Conference

Success
Across all
Settings
SAS - Who Cares Wins!

25TH NOVEMBER 2022
LONDON

Equals — Realising potential in mathematics for all

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Further to the success of the Equals webinar series throughout 2021 and continuing into 2022, we are excited to announce our first face-to-face 1 day **MA Equals National SEND Conference Success Across all Settings: SAS - Who Cares Wins!** focusing on mathematics and special education needs.

Speakers will share key learning difficulties (e.g. autism, anxiety, dyscalculua etc.) and how teachers can support the needs of all students.

**MA Equals National SEND Conference:**
Success Across all Settings - SAS who cares wins!

**When:** 25th November 2022
**Where:** London

## **Register your interest to attend**

## AGM - New Council Members



**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**
**GET INVOLVED!**

Our AGM took place on 14th April at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Stratford-upon-Avon. Thank you to those members who attended and voted to shape the future of the MA.

**Changes to Council:**

- **Chair of Conference Committee:** Dr Andy Kemp
- **Editor-in-Chief**: Ed Southall
- **Members without office:** Cherri Moseley, Bill Richardson, Sudeep Gokarakonda
- **President:** Dr Colin Foster
- **President Designate:** Prof Nira Chamberlain

**For a full list of MA Council members please click here.**

## Would you be interested in taking up this position?

The Treasurer plays an important role within our Association to:

- Advise Council on matters concerning the finances, property and insurance of the MA
- Propose budgets within which committees, employees and others working on behalf of the MA may operate, and present these to the Council for approval.
- Ensure that annual accounts are prepared and submitted for independent examination, present these to the AGM for approval
- The Treasurer shall also propose the independent examiners for the following year
- Regularly monitor the income and expenditure of the MA, having special regard to any expenditure which falls outside the budgets approved by Council
- Attends Standing Committee, CUP meetings, the clearance meeting with the independent examiners and various other committee meetings when required

Council meets quarterly in March, June, September and December of each year.

Nominations for election to any position on Council must be made in writing by two Members. Such nominations together with the nominee's written consent and a short (100-200 word) biography.

These are to be addressed to:
The Executive Officer
The Mathematical Association
259 London Road
Leicester
LE2 3BE

Or emailed to executiveofficer@m-a.org.uk

## Upcoming Webinars

Webinars are **free** to all MA members and £6 for non members.
Why not share with your whole maths team and colleagues?



**'Raising the Game'**
A lively and practical session in which Kate will share the successful Camden schools action research project, into using maths games to secure critical mathematical fluency at Key Stage 1. Kate will share the principles behind the project and many of the games. Come with a pair of dice to hand!

**Date:** Tuesday 3rd May
**Time:** 16:00 - 17:30
**Price:** £6 for non-members, FREE to members

## MA Shop

We have a vast range of books and resources available for you to purchase from our shop. Log in to receive 30% discount as a member of the MA.
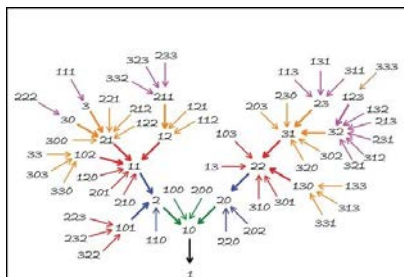


### If I Could Tell You One Thing
**edited by Ed Southall**

Wise words and advice from a range of experienced professionals in maths education, offering everything from thought provoking teaching ideas, to discussions around why we do what we do in the classroom and whether we should do it differently. Each contributor has navigated their way through years of maths teaching to bring you a slice of advice to learn from, think about, and bring back to your own maths department.
This book is sold as a bundle package, giving you access to a printed copy and eBook.

**On sale now!**



### Experiencing Mathematics Through Investigations
**edited by Chris Pritchard & John Berry**

Over the past fifty years, encouraging youngsters to experience mathematics through investigations has been a recurring theme within the MA journal *Mathematics in School*. This book brings together the best writing from the journal's pages with articles on investigations themselves, on the way in which they are used by the teacher and tackled by the learner, as well as the underlying pedagogy. This book will be sold as a bundle package, giving you access to a printed copy and eBook.

**Pre-order your copy today!**

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# Joint MA/ATM Primary Group

The next meeting will be on Friday 10th June in London.
For more information, please contact Chair Alison Borthwick:
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## MA BRANCHES
### FOR LOCAL ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS IN YOUR AREA

**Upcoming branch events:**

**Birmingham Branch Online Event**
**Sequencing Matters**
with Jemma Sherwood
19th May 2022

**Cambridge Branch Online Event**
**Numbers, numerals, names and so on**
with Professor Anne Watson
25th May 2022

**Branch event information**