MATHEMATICAL ASSOCIATION



supporting mathematics in education

Rt. Hon. Justine Greening, MP Secretary of State for Education Department for Education Sanctuary Buildings Great Smith Street Westminster London SW1P 3BT

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Dear Mrs. Greening,

The Mathematical Association wishes to offer its congratulations on your recent appointment as Secretary of State for Education.

Our Association, founded in 1871, has a long history of promoting the very best in teaching and learning mathematics, representing a large number of teachers of mathematics as well as those mathematicians and others keen to promote both mathematics and high quality mathematics education. We actively engage in consultation and discussion on the issues currently affecting mathematics education.

We respond professionally and constructively to ministerial announcements and to proposals from the Department for Education, and from bodies concerned with curricula, assessment and training. We comment on inquiry reports, academic research findings and reports published by organisations and learned bodies supporting mathematics in Britain. Occasionally, we adopt position papers prompted by discussions amongst ordinary members, and at our committees.

Since we hope that we have something distinctive to say on mathematics curriculum and pedagogy, and the training, expertise, professional development, recruitment and retention of mathematics teachers, we would be very happy to work with you on any of these issues.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Jenefer Golding President 2016-2017 Mr. Peter Ransom Chair of Council