

## Farewell to our extraordinary Upper 6 mathematicians



Teaching is more than just delivering lessons. It is about witnessing growth, resilience, and the quiet moments that define a pupil's journey. This year's Upper 6 mathematics group holds a special place in my heart, having taught many of them since Upper 4. Together, we navigated the challenges of the Covid era, adapted to online learning, and emerged stronger than ever.

Some memories stand out vividly. There's Lucy, who once attended my 7:30am running club when she was in Prep and now confidently discusses calculus problems during mathematics lessons. Colleen, who impressed me with 10 push-ups in Upper 3, proved she could still do them last week, just for fun. Then there's Izzy, who unhesitatingly explained forces on an inclined plane to the class (in the photo below), and Chloe, who thrives when leading problem-solving sessions. Haroon brought a new positive dynamic to the class when he joined us in Lower 6. We have Elle, who never shies away from challenging questions, and Safiyyah, the quiet thinker who masters multistep problems with pinpoint accuracy.

What makes this group unique is their camaraderie. They do not just learn from me; they learn from each other. Their willingness to collaborate, support, and even take the lead has made teaching them an absolute joy.

As they prepare for university, I feel the pride and bittersweet emotions that come with saying goodbye. Teachers, like parents, watch pupils transform from young learners into capable adults. These five years have enriched me in ways they may never realise, reminding me why no other profession compares to teaching. The relationships we build, the growth we witness, and the everyday victories are the reasons we stay.

To my Upper 6 mathematics class: Thank you for the laughter, the hard work, and the privilege of being part of your journey. Wherever you go next, know that you have left a mark, not just on the whiteboard, but on the people who taught you.

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