

Case study: working with Raynham Primary School

Raynham Primary School in Enfield introduced BrightSpark's online maths tutoring with a trial offering five sessions each for five of their Year 6 students. Based on their experience they are now using BrightSpark weekly for 25 of their Year 6 students.

Raynham have been using BrightSpark to provide after-school maths booster classes for their students. The children have responded well to the tutoring, enjoying the individual attention they receive from the tutors and remaining fully engaged for the whole hour.

"It's all about the child and giving them the opportunity to improve and close their individual knowledge gaps," Headteacher Marva Rollins observed. "All the children are doing a different lesson at the same time so it is totally personalised. Wearing the headsets and working online means the children are much more focused on the topic in hand."

"We have piloted the scheme and have now increased the number of students using it, as even in the short-term we have seen an improvement. The children's confidence in their maths is increasing – it's reassuring to them to know that their needs are being met."

11 year old Abdul was one of the original BrightSpark testers. He has already moved up a maths set since starting with BrightSpark. "I feel very confident about maths now. Before I started I was very shy and I didn't believe in myself," he commented. "I've had more than five different tutors and they're all really friendly – you get to know each tutor during the session."

Abdul's teacher, Altus Basson, who oversees BrightSpark tutoring at Raynham, agrees: "Abdul has moved up a maths set and is much more confident, which has also meant that his class work is much improved."

Raynham will fully assess BrightSpark once they have had a bigger pool of students using it over a longer period, however early indications are positive and the trial has certainly shown them it's worth a try. Mrs Rollins is also encouraging parents to try out BrightSpark at home, having been satisfied that it compares favourably to more expensive local tuition alternatives.

"The parents are ambitious but many lack the resources to match that ambition," she explained. "BrightSpark tutoring is not the only solution, but as an additional supplementary approach it gives us another string to our bow."



About BrightSpark

BrightSpark Education provides innovative and specialist one-to-one maths tuition online for students aged 7 to 16.

Our tutors are based in India; all are maths graduates and former maths teachers, trained in the UK curriculum, and with full background checks.

Today's children often feel engaged and in control when using online learning to support their core class work. Indeed Government research has shown that children using ICT in maths develop at twice the national average.

Our online approach allows us provide a specialist, accessible and affordable option for one-to-one tuition, in a format that children enjoy.

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