**Subject: Maths** 

## **Topic: Graphs and Graph Transformations**

| Topic/Skill            | Definition/Tips  | Example  |
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| 1. Coordinates         | Written in pairs. The first term is the x-coordinate (movement across). The second term is the y-coordinate (movement up or down)  | A: (4,7) B: (-6,-3)  A: (4,7) B: (-6,-3)               |
| 2. Linear<br>Graph     | Straight line graph. The equation of a linear graph can contain an x-term, a y-term and a number.  | Example:  Other examples: $x = y$                      |
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| 3. Quadratic<br>Graph  | A 'U-shaped' curve called a parabola.<br>The equation is of the form $y = ax^2 + bx + c$ , where $a$ , $b$ and $c$ are numbers, $a \ne 0$ .<br>If $a < 0$ , the parabola is <b>upside down</b> . | y = x <sup>2</sup> -4x-5                               |
| 4. Cubic Graph         | The equation is of the form $y = ax^3 + k$ ,   | (2, 9)   |
| 4. Cubic Graph         | where $k$ is an number.<br>If $a > 0$ , the curve is increasing.   | a>0  |
|                        | If $a < 0$ , the curve is <b>decreasing</b> .  |  |
| 5. Reciprocal<br>Graph | The equation is of the form $y = \frac{A}{x}$ , where $A$  | y <b>†</b>   |
| Огарп                  | is a number and $x \neq 0$ .<br>The graph has asymptotes on the x-axis and y-axis.   | y = 1/x  |
| 6. Asymptote           | A straight line that a graph approaches but never touches.   | horizontal asymptote  vertical asymptote  x            |

| 7. Exponential Graph       | The equation is of the form $y = a^x$ , where $a$ is a number called the <b>base</b> . If $a > 1$ the graph <b>increases</b> . If $0 < a < 1$ , the graph <b>decreases</b> . The graph has an <b>asymptote</b> which is the | 2                          |
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| $8. y = \sin x$            | x-axis.  Key Coordinates: (0,0), (90,1), (180,0), (270,-1), (360,0)  y is never more than 1 or less than -1.  | y $=$ $=$ $=$ $=$ $=$ $=$ $=$ $=$ $=$ $=$                        |
|                            | Pattern repeats every 360°.   | 1.0  |
| $9. y = \cos x$            | Key Coordinates: (0, 1), (90, 0), (180, -1), (270, 0), (360, 1)   | graph of y = cosine ()  90° 180° 270° 360° 450° 540° 630° 720°   |
|                            | y is never more than 1 or less than -1.  Pottern reports every $360^{\circ}$  | 1.0  |
| $10. y = \tan x$           | Pattern repeats every 360°.  Key Coordinates: (0,0), (45,1), (135,-1), (180,0), (225,1), (315,-1), (360,0)  | y graph of $y = \tan \theta$                                     |
|                            | Asymptotes at $x = 90$ and $x = 270$<br>Pattern repeats every 360°.   | -2 -4 90° 180° 270° 360° 450° 540° 630° 720°                     |
| 11. f(x) + a               | <b>Vertical translation</b> up a units. $\binom{0}{a}$  | $ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$            |
| 12. f(x+a)                 | <b>Horizontal translation</b> <u>left</u> a units. $\begin{pmatrix} -u \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  | $ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$            |
| 13f(x)                     | Reflection over the x-axis.   | 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 x  - f(x)  MathBits.com                          |
| 14. <i>f</i> (- <i>x</i> ) | Reflection over the y-axis.   | f(x)  5  4  3  2  1  2  3  4  5  4  5  4  5  4  5  4  5  4  5  5 |

