



Case Study

# Dr Challoner's High School

Amersham, Buckinghamshire

Phil Smith is Head of Maths at Dr Challoner's High School in Amersham. With 30 years of teaching experience under his belt, Phil is a passionate advocate of using ICT to deepen and extend students' understanding of maths.

Phil introduced Boardworks software to the school back in 2003, and was one of the very first customers of MyWorks KS3 Maths. He is currently accessing the tests with his Year 8 class through the school's Moodle VLE, and is looking forward to rolling out the resources to the whole of KS3.

Phil likes the fact that the quizzes aren't timed as this enables students to work at their own pace, correcting their own work and receiving feedback. And students are really engaged with the variety of the material: "It's got good visual, good graphics, and that keeps their attention and engages them."

But what really impresses Phil is that MyWorks empowers students to take responsibility for their own learning: "In terms of self-assessment, and pupils assessing their own progress, the quizzes give them all the necessary feedback and they can build up their own portfolios ... It builds in personal responsibility – that's a key thing about the product."

Phil has found that the quizzes are well balanced, with appropriate revision material and of a good length. He is already looking eagerly to the release of a product for KS4.