Presenting Famous Mathematicians

Look at the mathematicians in the <u>Famous Mathematicians Display Facts Posters</u>.

Read the summary of information on each one and then select one of the following mathematicians:

- Alan Turing
- Leonardo of Pisa
- Euclid
- Pythagoras of Samos
- René Descartes
- Carl Friedrich Gauss
- Leonhard Euler
- Sir Isaac Newton
- Ada Lovelace
- GF Bernhard Riemann
- Mary Somerville
- Florence Nightingale
- Maria Gaetana Agnesi
- Hypatia
- Caroline Herschel

Once you have selected your mathematician, complete some research on them and their relevance to mathematics. You could consider:

- where they were born;
- events of their childhood;
- their family;
- what made them become interested in mathematics;
- how did they contribute to mathematics;
- their social life or home life;
- their personality;
- how their developments in mathematics affected the world.





You could create a poster, a PowerPoint or select any other way to record your information. Then rehearse presenting it as a group.

Make sure:

- everyone has a turn to present;
- to practise which order your group will present in;
- to decide who is presenting which parts;
- you rehearse what you would like to say.

Top Tips for Presenting:

- speak slowly
- look at your audience
- use the PowerPoint or poster to help you make a point
- use a loud voice
- be confident in what you are saying





