Calculation Policy for Mathematics



Gentleshaw Primary Academy

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About our Calculation Policy

The following calculation policy has been devised to meet requirements of the National Curriculum 2014 for the teaching and learning of mathematics, and is also designed to give pupils a consistent and smooth progression of learning in calculations across the school.

Age stage expectations

The calculation policy is organised according to age stage expectations as set out in the National Curriculum 2014, however it is vital that pupils are taught according to the stage that they are currently working at, being moved onto the next level as soon as they are ready, or working at a lower stage until they are secure enough to move on.

Providing a context for calculation:

It is important that any type of calculation is given a real life context or problem solving approach to help build children's understanding of the purpose of calculation, and to help them recognise when to use certain operations and methods when faced with problems. This must be a priority within calculation lessons.

White Rose:

At Gentleshaw Academy planning follows the White Rose scheme of learning. Listed below are the formal methods that children will be taught at their respective age range. Children will also be taught using concrete and abstract methods. These methods can be found at <u>http://mathshub.sjb.school/tag/white-rose/</u>

Year 1 Add with numbers up to 20

Use numbered number lines to add, by counting on in ones. Encourage children to start with the larger number and count on.



Children should:

- Have access to a wide range of counting equipment, everyday objects, number tracks and number lines, and be shown numbers in different contexts.
- Read and write the addition (+) and equals (=) signs within number sentences.
- Interpret addition number sentences and solve missing box problems, using concrete objects and number line addition to solve them: 8 + 3 = 0
 15 + 4 = 0
 5 + 3 + 1 = 0
 0 + 0 = 6

This builds on from prior learning of adding by combining two sets of objects into one group (5 cubes and 3 cubes) in Early Years.

Bead strings or bead bars can be used to illustrate addition including bridging through ten by counting on 2 then counting on 3.









Year 5 Add numbers with more than 4 digits

Including money, measures and decimals with different numbers of decimal places.











Towards the end of year 5, children should be taught to subtract numbers with more than 4 digits using compact column subtraction. (Decomposition)

Subtract with decimal values, including mixtures of integers and decimals, aligning the decimal point.

Children should be able to mentally subtract larger numbers.

Subtract increasingly large and more complex numbers and decimal values.

Pupils should be able to apply their knowledge of a range of mental strategies, mental recall skills and informal and formal written methods when selecting the most appropriate method to work out subtraction problems.

Children should also understand the symbol of multiplication and could begin to use it when recording their work.

<u>Year 3</u> Multiply 2-digits by a single digit number

Introduce the grid method for multiplying 2-digit by single-digits:

Eg. 23 x 8 = 184			Link the layout of the grid to an array initially: × 10 i 4				
X	20	3	000000000000000000000000000000000000000				
8	160	24	$\bigcirc \bigcirc $				
	160 + 24	= 184	6 000000000000000000000000000000000000				

Introduce the grid method with children physically making an array to represent the calculation (e.g. make 8 lots of 23 with 10s and 1s place value counters), then translate this to grid method format (see video clip).

To do this, children must be able to:

1) Partition numbers into tens and units

2) Multiply multiples of ten by a single digit (e.g. 20×4) using their knowledge of multiplication facts and place value

3) Recall and work out multiplication facts in the 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 and 10 times tables.

4) Work out multiplication facts not known by repeated addition or other taught mental strategies (e.g. by commutative law, working out near multiples and adjusting, using doubling etc.) Strategies to support this are repeated addition using a number line, bead bars and arrays:

Multiply two and three digit numbers by a single digit, using all 12 x 12 multiplication facts.

Developing the grid method.

Move on to short multiplication (year 5) if and when children are confident and accurate in multiplying 2 and 3 digit numbers by a single digit this way AND are already confident in 'carrying' for written addition.

Children should be able to:

Approximate before they calculate, and make this a regular part of their calculating, going back to the approximation to check the reasonableness of their answer.

e.g.: 349 x 9 is approximately 350 x 10 = 3500

Multiply multiples of 10 by 10 using their times tables knowledge. Recall all 12 x 12 facts.

> Approximate Calculate Check it mate!

Check it mate!

Year 1 Group and share small quantities

Using objects, diagrams and pictorial representations to solve problems involving <u>both</u> grouping <u>and</u> sharing.

12 shared between 3 is 4

Start children off in a familiar context;

There are 18 pieces of fruit on the table. There are 6 children. How many pieces of fruit will each child get?

Can they use a division statement? 18 shared by 6 people = 3 each

Children should:

- Use lots of apparatus, arrays and picture representations
- Be taught the difference between grouping and sharing
- Be able to count in multiples of 2, 5 and 10
- Understand and find half of a group of objects by sharing into two equal groups

Real life

contexts

to help

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used routinely

children gain

understanding

, and the ability to recognise the place of

division and

how to apply

problems.

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<u>Year 3</u> Divide 2-digit numbers by a single digit (where there is no remainder in the final answer)

Children continue to solve unknown divisions by grouping along a number line from O.

> They are also now taught the concept of remainders, as in the example. This should be introduced practically and with arrays, as well as being translated to a number line. Children should work towards calculating some basic division facts with remainders mentally for the 2s, 3s, 4s, 5s, 8s and 10s ready for 'carrying' remainders across within short division.

Short division: limit numbers to NO remainders in the answer or carried (each digit must be a multiple of the divisor).

8 9 10 11 12 13

Grouping on a number line

6 7

012345

 $13 \div 3 =$

introduced. Remind children of

the place

= 90 + 6.

value of

numbers. 96

Start by comparing the layout of short division by comparing

8

5.6

Once the children are confidently using number lines arrays etc., short

division for larger numbers should be

it to an array.

Limit numbers to no remainders in the final answer.

Once children show full understanding of remainders AND the method of short division, they can be taught how to use the method when remainders occur within the calculation (e.g. $96 \div 4$) and be taught to 'carry' the remainder onto the next digit. If needed, children should a number line to work out individual division facts that occur which they are not yet able to mentally recall.

This final step is only taught once the

children are confident with 'remainders'.

If children are confident and accurate: Introduce chunking for long division for pupils who are ready to divide any number by a 2 digit number. (2678 ÷19). This is a year 6 expectation - see year 6.

Divide up to 4 digit numbers by both single digit and 2 digit numbers.

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	0	8	1	2.	1	2	5	
8)6	4	9	17.	0	0	40	

Short division with remainders: Pupils should continue to use this method, but with numbers to at least 4 digits, and understand how to express remainders as fractions, decimals, whole number remainders and rounded numbers. Real life problem solving contexts need to be the starting point where pupils have to consider the most appropriate way to express the number.

Calculating a decimal remainder: In this example, rather than expressing the remainder as r1, a decimal point is added after the units because there is still a reminder and the one remainder is carried onto zeros after the decimal point (to show there was no decimal value in the original number). Keep dividing to an appropriate degree of accuracy for the problem being solved.

Long division - Bus Stop.

- •Children will refer to the WIK box to check how many 15s can be subtracted away from the number.

Must be aligned in the correct place value for subtracting Children will need to create a 'WIK' box (what I know) at the side of their book. e.g. 15 30 45 60 75

> Approximate Calculate Check

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