Supporting children's Mathematics

Filleigh Primary School

How do you feel about maths?



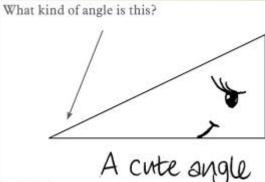
How I see math word problems: If you have 4 pencils and I have 7 apples, how many pancakes will fit on the roof? Purple, because aliens don't wear hats.



Name six animals which live specifically in the Arctic.

Two polar bears Three four Seals

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You know what seems odd to me?
Numbers that aren't divisible by two."

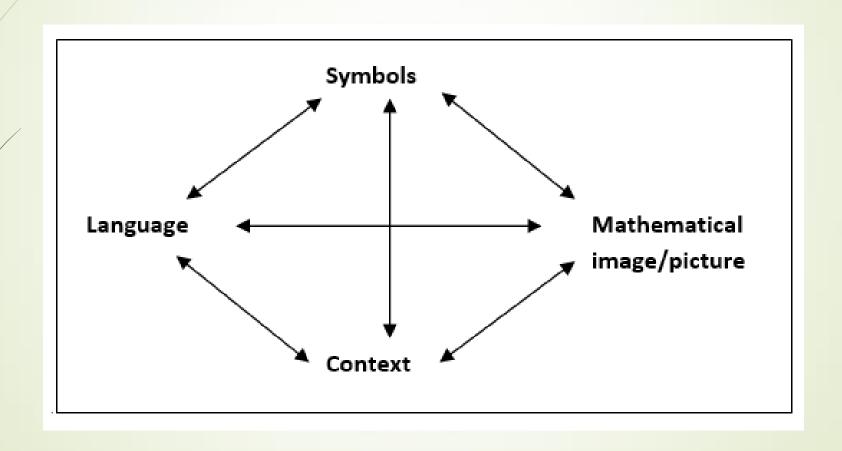
Just to warm up: How many mathematical statements can you make about you age?

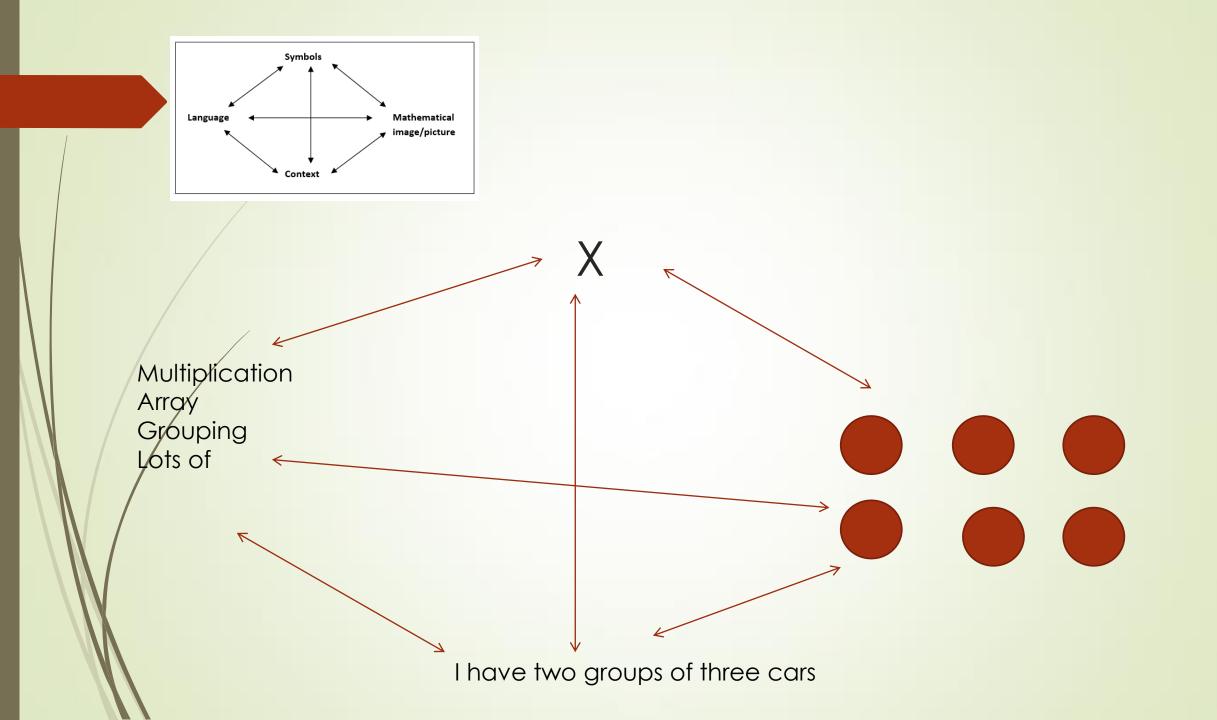
For example: Mr Wright is 3 x 10 +2

What the curriculum says:

- The national curriculum for mathematics aims to ensure that all pupils:
- become fluent in the fundamentals of mathematics, including through varied and frequent practice with increasingly complex problems over time, so that pupils develop conceptual understanding and the ability to recall and apply knowledge rapidly and accurately
- reason mathematically by following a line of enquiry, conjecturing relationships and generalisations, and developing an argument, justification or proof using mathematical language
- can solve problems by applying their mathematics to a variety of routine and non-routine problems with increasing sophistication, including breaking down problems into a series of simpler steps and persevering in seeking solutions

Interconnected mathematics





When maths goes wrong:

An extreme example: The Spanish navy have had to scrap a brand new 2Bn Euro submarine after an engineer put the decimal point in the wrong place and the submarine was 70 tonnes over weight and would never float. Please google it, the cost and statistics around it are fascinating.

Key challenges in mathematics:

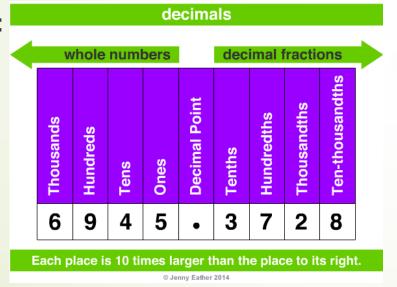
- Place value
- Number bonds (to 10 and within 10)
- Number facts (times table)

Place value

Base-10 system

- our everyday number system is a Base-10 system.
- the Base-10 number system is known as the decimal system and has 10 digits to show all numbers
 0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9
 using place value and a decimal point to separate
 whole numbers from decimal fractions.

EXAMPLE:



Why do we separate every third number with a comma?

1,327,849

0 isn't nothing!

The importance of 10.

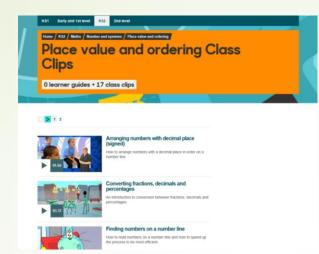
The numbers 1 and 0 combine to form 10.

decimals										
4	W	vhole	num	bers	decimal fractions					→
	Thousands	Hundreds	Tens	Ones	Decimal Point	Tenths	Hundredths	Thousandths	Ten-thousandths	
			1	0						•

This is 10 lots of 1's grouped into a ten and no 1's remaining in the ones column.

Supporting Place Value at home





http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/to
pics/zsjqtfr/resources/1

Dicey Operations

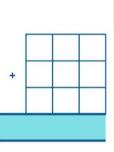
Find a partner and a die (preferably 0 - 9 but if you don't have one you can use a 1 - 6 die).

Each of you draw an addition grid like the one on the right.

Take turns to throw the die and decide which of your cells to fill in.

Throw the die nine times each until all the cells are

Whoever has the sum closest to 1000 wins.





nrich.maths.org

http://nrich.maths.org/content/id/7209/NRICH-poster_DiceyOperations.pdf

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Quick add dice. Roll dice (as many as is challenging) race to add as quickly as you can. Look at number bonds for efficient addition



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Number bonds:

How would you calculate:

This relies on secure number bonds to 10.

We want children to be fluent with the language of number and not rely on counting in ones from the starting number all the way to the equals sign.

Being able to make 10 is massively important:

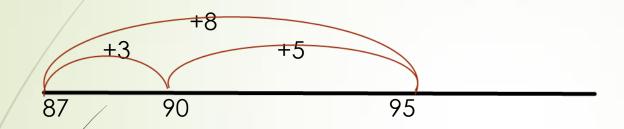
If we understand that 7 + 3 = 10 also begin to understand that:

$$0.7 + 0.3 = 1$$

 $0.07 + 0.03 = 0.1$

When going further and faced with more challenge calculations such as bridging through 10 or 100 knowledge of numberbonds to 10 is vital.

$$87 + 8 = (87 + 3 + 5) = 95$$



Some children are reliant on counting in 1's or need to use apparatus or a formal method to calculate this, this is not efficient.

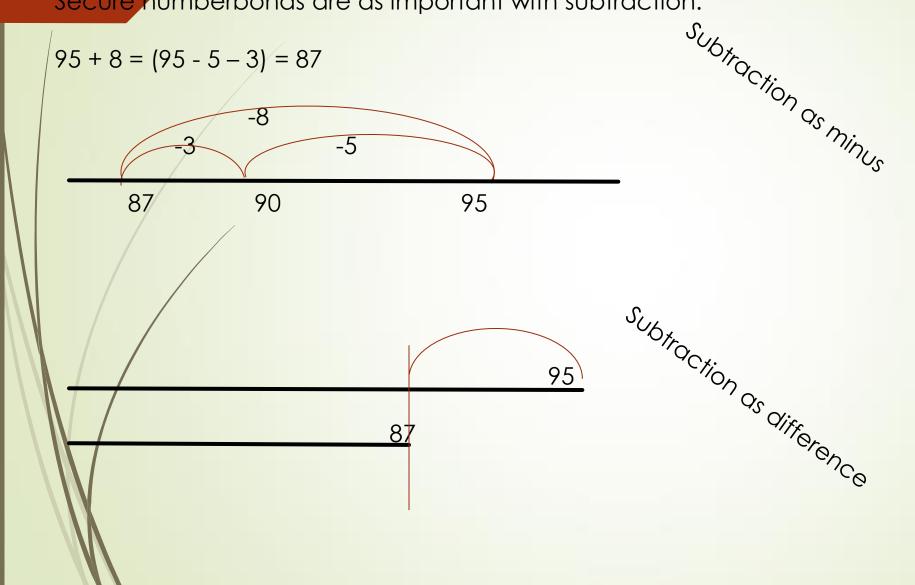
95-8=87. Children need to understand how one undoes the other. Can be employed as a check to a calculation.

There are two forms of subtraction: Minus and difference.

I have £95 pounds and I spend £87 on a food shop, that leaves me with £8.

My friend spent £95 on a pair of football boots and I spent £87 on the same model, the difference in what we paid is £8.

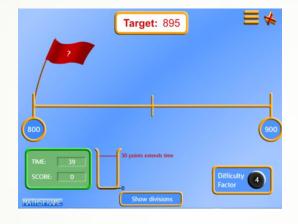
Secure numberbonds are as important with subtraction.



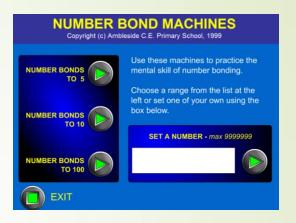
Supporting number bonds



http://www.iboard.co.uk/iwb/Alien-Pairs-to-10-733



http://mathsframe.co.uk/en/reso urces/resource/37/placing_numb ers_on_a_number_line



http://www.amblesideprimary.co m/ambleweb/mentalmaths/numb erbond.html



Adding playing cards.
Play pontoon, every card turn add by bridging through 10.

Multiplication and division can be challenging.

Earliest experience of both comes through grouping, lots of and sharing.

Barriers to understanding is that we talk in terms of x smaller, children assume x gives bigger results and ÷ gives smaller results.

For example: 5.6 is 10 x smaller than 56.

Number facts: knowing our tables.

Knowing times tables, with their related division facts is important. Ability to recall them help children make mathematical statements and build connection between different areas of mathematics:

7x8=56

Therefore we know that: 0.7x8=5.6

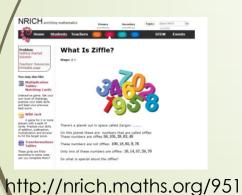
So why is 0.7x0.8=0.56?

"0.7 is 10x smaller than 7 and 0.8 is 10x smaller than 8, 10x10 is 100 therefore the answer of 0.7x0.8 has to be 100x smaller than 7x8." (A year five child summer term 2016).

Number facts at home



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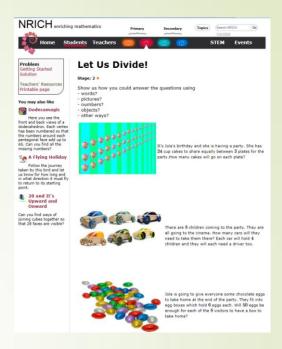


number generator and play quick multiplication: ie two dice, three playing cards

Any random



https://nrich.maths.org/6499



http://nrich.maths.org/8308

Further websites to support mathematics:

- http://nrich.maths.org/frontpage loads of games, puzzles, problems on all mathematical concepts from early years to secondary school (please only use the student site).
- <u>http://www.activityvillage.co.uk/arithmagons-medium-2</u> -Maths arithmagons – number patterns and problems
- <u>http://resources.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/maths/countdown/</u> Countdown game (does not offer solutions)
- http://www.sumdog.com/ you would otherwise need to pay for. Interactive challenges, play against the programme or other children internationally.
- http://www.mathsisfun.com/index.htm Lots of things, I like their puzzles!

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