

## Mathematics programmes of study: key stages 1 and 2

National curriculum in England

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## Purpose of study

Mathematics is a creative and highly inter-connected discipline that has been developed over centuries, providing the solution to some of history's most intriguing problems. It is essential to everyday life, critical to science, technology and engineering, and necessary for financial literacy and most forms of employment. A high-quality mathematics education therefore provides a foundation for understanding the world, the ability to reason mathematically, an appreciation of the beauty and power of mathematics, and a sense of enjoyment and curiosity about the subject.

## Aims

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 nonroutine problems with increasing sophistication, including breaking down problems into a series of simpler steps and persevering in seeking solutions.

"Look. You had five bones, right? Your friend Zooky comes over, stays awhile, then leaves. Now you have four bones, right? ... You don't have to be a 'Lassie' to figure this one out."


## "I don't do maths. I was never very good at it at school and it is all different now."

If this is you, do not feel concerned as maths is one of the subjects that remains a constant. There are many different ways in which we can solve a maths problem. Our aim is to teach children, with your help, to find the best ways through investigation and practice.

## What children say About maths.KS1

"Maths is my favourite lesson because I am good at it."
"I like when we use the bricks in maths."


Children love maths. So we need to celebrate this and ensure we maintain this enthusiasm throughout their lives.
"I like it when we get to write big numbers and add more."

## What children say KS2

"I just love numbers and working with them."
"I like maths because I like to solve calculations with different ways of working out."

## "I like it when we have multi-step problems to solve."

Our school follows a scheme called 'White Rose' to deliver our maths . Typically each child will have maths lessons every day for approximately one hour. The lesson often has a mental maths starter or problem (anchor task) to engage them in their learning. The lesson should then consist of a variety of teacher led instruction, shared work and independent work. Extra maths sessions -maths meetings- take place to revise and consolidate their learning.

The use of 'manipulatives' in maths is very important all through primary .


New Town Primary School Calculation Policy

You can find a copy of our calculation policy on
the school website or ask your child's teacher for one.



## New Town Primary School <br> Nurturing Brilliance, Inspiring Ambition <br> Our Maths Cornerstones



Many of your children would have brought home knowledge organisers within the first few days of the new term. Whilst , this may seem a little daunting at first, they can be a valuable aid for your childs learning and to help start conversations about homework and maths in class.


* Put the numbers in ascending order. You can use the number line to help you.


Round these numbers to the nearest 10,100 and 1000 please. $756,802,333,909,682,550$

## Examples of homework

It is important that homework does not take too long, 20-30 minutes should be a reasonable amount of time solving $4 / 5$ questions. If your child manages 2 in that
time it is usefull for us to know to ensure they get the support needed.

Jack buys $1 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~kg}$ of potatoes and $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~kg}$ of carrots.
How much change does he get from $\mathbf{\text { L5 }}$ ?


Jack uses 65 grams of powder for each wash.
He uses all the powder.

How many washes did Jack do?


## Maths 'reasoning' has become very important as opposed to pages and pages of problems.

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You can help your child at home in many ways.
Learning their Times Tables is probably one of the best ways you can build their confidence.

## There are so many games you can do with a pack of playing cards:

Multiply two cards
Add numbers together
Use red as 'minus' cards and black as 'positive' to teach negative numbers Higher and lower predictions

Square numbers
Fractions; by placing one card above another
Plus many, many more
An added plus is this may help your children interact more and get them off the computer games.
Remember to have fun! Done well they won't even notice they are learning!


Whilst we are not trying to encourage you to teach your children to gamble, playing cards are an amazing way to build confidence and skill in numbers and interact as a family.

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Dominoes are another super resource
They can cost as little as $£ 1.00$ in shops like 'The works'

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Complete your heatmap

Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS), is a super practice site for learning multiplication tables.


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Get a rock status


SOUNDCHECK
Beat the clock

Activate Windows
Go to Settings to activate Wind


## In every day life there are so many

 opportunitiesWhen shopping ask the children to add up the totals for you.
Round the shopping bill up/down
Estimate how much it will cost
When driving a long distance look at the mileage
Cooking at home measuring ingredients
Telling the time
Halving and quartering toys


## THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND SUPPORT






