

Progression in Calculation Fairisle Junior School

Key Stage One

Children in Years 1 and 2 will be gain an understanding of the basic building blocks of mental and written methods in maths. This is done through learning about place value, being able to partition numbers into tens and ones. In doing so, they will develop an understanding of how numbers work, so that they are confident in 2-digit numbers and will be able to read and say numbers above 100.

There is a focus on number bonds, first via practical hands-on experiences and subsequently through memorisation, to ensure that all children leave Year 2 knowing the complements of all numbers up to 10 at least. They will also have experienced and been taught pairs to 20.

Children will be taught to count in 2s, 3s, 5s and 10s and will have related this skill to repeated addition. By the end of Year 2, children should be able to recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 2, 5 and 10 multiplication tables, including recognising odd and even numbers.

The children will also be taught to double and halve numbers and will also experience scaling up or down as a further aspect of multiplication and division. Fractions will be introduced as numbers and as operators, specifically in relation to halves, quarters and thirds.

Lower Key Stage 2 (Years 3 and 4)

In Years 3 and 4, children build on their concrete and conceptual understanding of the for operations, particularly their competence with larger numbers. They will use place value and number facts to add and subtract mentally and will develop strategies replacing 'finger based' methods. They will learn to add and subtract multiples of 10, 100 and 1000.

They will learn standard written methods for adding and subtracting larger numbers and during these two years, multiplication and division facts should be memorised up to 12×12 . The children will develop their skills by learning efficient written methods for multiplying and dividing 2-digit by 1-digit numbers alongside mental strategies to cope with dividing by 5 or multiplying by 20.

Children will learn to reduce a fraction to its simplest form as well as finding non-unit amount of amounts and quantities. Decimal numbers are introduced and consolidated.

Upper Key Stage 2 (Years 5 and 6)

Children in Years 5 and 6 develop their understanding of place value further. By the time they leave Year 6, they should be able to read, write, order and compare numbers up to 10,000,000 and determine the value of each digit. They will move on to performing arithmetic operations with both decimals and fractions. Children will become confident in applying all four operations whilst working with fraction and decimal problems.

They will continue to consolidate their use of written methods with adding and subtracting whole number and decimals. They will also extend their confidence and knowledge with written methods for multiplication and division.

Children will draw upon their understanding of place value and number facts to develop their mental strategies further to include increasingly larger numbers. Efficient strategies for mental calculations are taught to enable children to perform calculations such as 60,000 x 4. They will also now calculate percentages and ratios as well as add and subtract negative numbers.

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.

Progression in the use of formal written methods for the four operations

By the end of Year 3, most children should be able to:

- add and subtract numbers with up to three digits, using formal written methods of columnar addition and subtraction
- write and calculate mathematical statements for multiplication and division using the multiplication tables that they know, including for two-digit numbers times one-digit numbers, using mental and progressing to formal written methods

By the end of Year 4, most children should be able to:

- add and subtract numbers with up to 4 digits using the formal written methods of column addition and subtraction where appropriate
- multiply two-digit and three-digit numbers by a one-digit number using formal written layout

By the end of Year 5, most children should be able to:

- add and subtract whole numbers with more than 4 digits, including using formal written methods (columnar addition and subtraction)
- multiply numbers up to 4 digits by a one- or two-digit number using a formal written method, including long multiplication for two-digit numbers
- divide numbers up to 4 digits by a one-digit number using the formal written method of short division and interpret remainders appropriately for the context

By the end of Year 6, most children should be able to:

- multiply multi-digit numbers up to 4 digits by a two-digit whole number using the formal written method of long multiplication
- divide numbers up to 4 digits by a two-digit whole number using the formal written method of long division, and interpret remainders as whole number remainders, fractions, or by rounding, as appropriate for the context
- divide numbers up to 4 digits by a two-digit number using the formal written method of short division where appropriate, interpreting remainders according to the context





Children (and adults) can find maths difficult because it is abstract (symbolic). The CPA approach builds on children's existing knowledge by introducing abstract concepts in a concrete and tangible way. It involves moving from concrete materials, to pictorial representations, to abstract symbols and problems.

Concrete representation

The children are first introduced to an idea or a skill by acting it out with real objects. In division, for example, this might be done by separating apples into groups of red ones and green ones or by sharing 12 biscuits amongst 6 children. This is a 'hands on' approach using real objects and it is the basis for conceptual understanding.

Pictorial representation

This is used when a child has sufficiently understood the hands-on experiences performed and can now relate them to representations, such as a diagram or picture of the problem. In the case of a division exercise this could be the action of circling objects. This is the 'seeing' stage.

Abstract representation

The symbolic stage – a child is now capable of representing problems by using mathematical notation, for example: $12 \div 6 = 2$. This is clearly the more confusing and mysterious of the three and without the 'hands on' and pictorial steps can be very hard for children to understand.







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