



## Trafalgar Junior School Written Calculation Policy

This Calculation Policy was designed to ensure consistency and progression in teaching and learning throughout Trafalgar Junior School.

It is important to remember that the written methods of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division build upon children's understanding of place value, the relationship between the operations and the ability to perform mental calculations using all four operations. Throughout their primary schooling, children continue work on improving and extending their use of mental calculations and the learning number of facts in order to aid their work on written calculation methods.

The written calculations are shown in this policy as stages and therefore children within the same year group may be at different stages depending on their understanding. Pupils are also encouraged to identify and use the most efficient and best suited method depending on the numbers used within a calculation.

### NB

- HTU (hundreds, tens & units) are now known as **HTO** (hundreds, tens and *ones*). This is to avoid confusion when referencing 'units' in other mathematical contexts (such as kg, cm, ml, etc) as well as directly recognising their value as 'ones'.

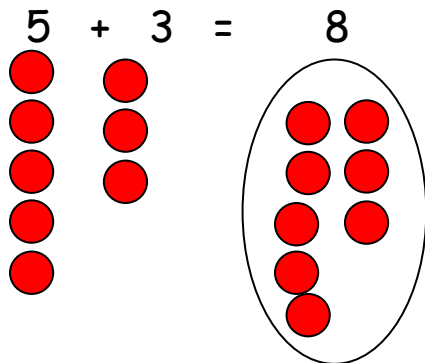
# ADDITION

**The Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS)** and Key Stage One children are taught mental calculations which are systematically built upon throughout Key Stage Two.

Children are introduced to the processes of calculation through practical, oral and mental activities, such as counting songs, counting by rote and touch counting as well as through experiencing real-life scenarios, such as buying and selling in a shop. This will include language such as: more, add, together, total, altogether, how many.

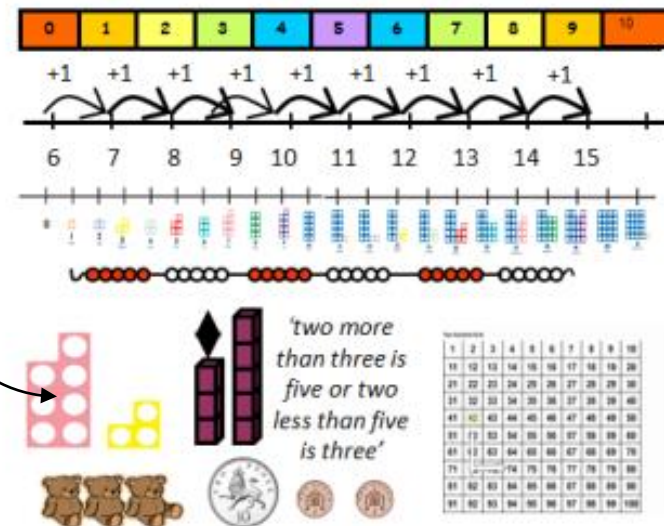
Resources that could be used to support this learning:

Counting all:



I count out 5 counters and 3 counters.  
I put the counters together and count them together.  
1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8.

*Numicon*



Use practical resources such as bears, counters, cubes and number lines/hundred grids and progress to a resource such as Numicon to encourage counting in groups rather than ones

## STAGE ONE

The number line is also supported by the use of a counting stick and bead string.

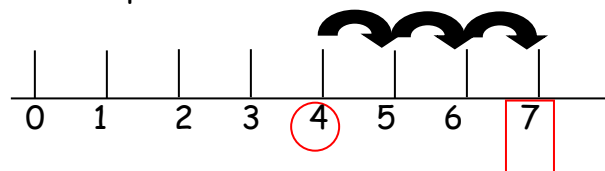
*Other resources which can be used to support children with their understanding of number include Numicon and number squares.*

Children are taught to add larger numbers together using the number line as their understanding of number progresses.

### Number Line

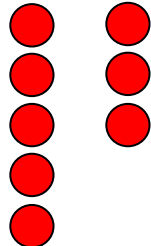
A blank or annotated number line is used for counting on. Children jump on the top of the number line (tapping the numbers on their heads) when adding.

For example;  $4 + 3 =$



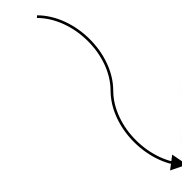
Counting on:

$$5 + 3 = \underline{8}$$

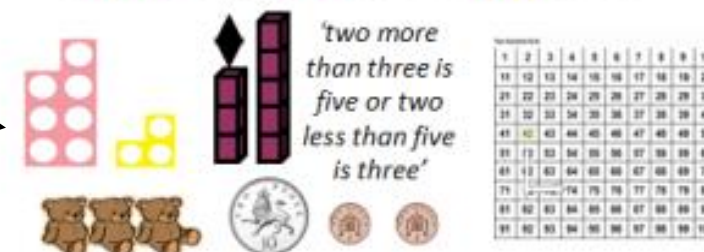
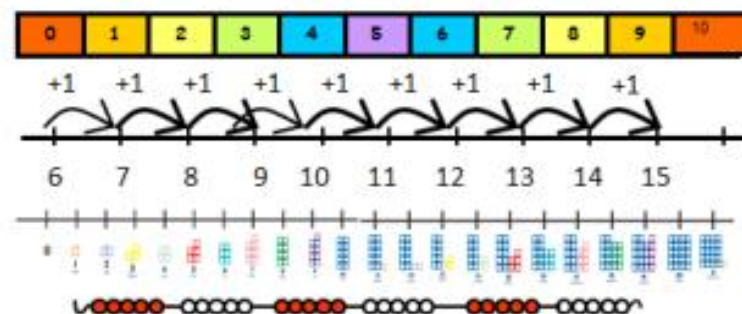


I count out 3 counters  
I put the number 5 in my head,  
Then I count on 6,7,8

Numicon



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Use practical resources such as bears, counters, cubes and number lines/hundred grids and progress to a resource such as Numicon to encourage counting in groups rather than ones

## STAGE TWO

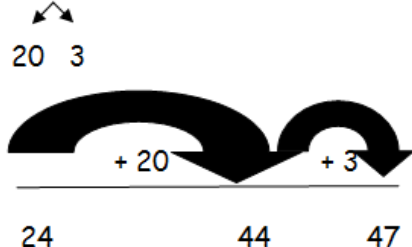
When children are ready to be adding larger numbers, they will continue to do so on a number line or a bead string.

*To support this learning, children will use a hundred square. They will be encouraged to jump down in 10s and forwards in units or ones. Children are encouraged to then record this as a written calculation.*

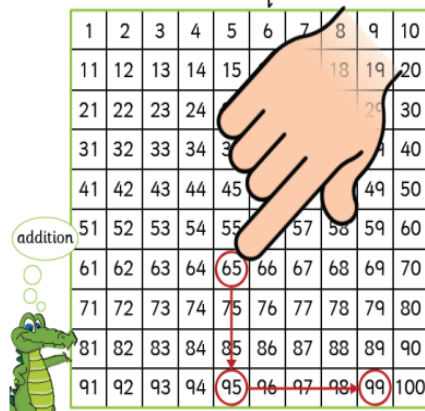
Children will continue to use the blank number line throughout each stage as an efficient method of addition.

Children will be taught to begin with the biggest number and partition the number to be added on. Children jump on top of the number line when adding.

$$24 + 23 =$$



How to use a hundred square...



Let's solve...

$$65 + 34 = ?$$

$$65 + 30 = 95$$

$$95 + 4 = 99$$

So...

$$65 + 34 = 99$$

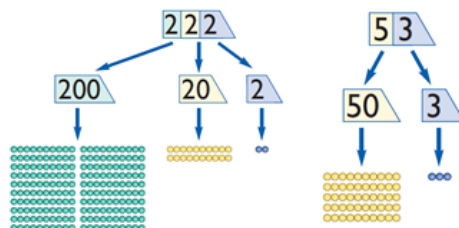
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## STAGE THREE

*Resources used to support children in the expanded method of column addition (partitioning in a way that leads to a formal method of addition) include place value cards.*

Children will use the expanded method of column addition for larger numbers (HTO) including adding decimals in the context of money and measure.

Partitioning:  
 $222 + 53 =$



$$\begin{aligned} 2 + 3 &= 5 \\ 20 + 50 &= 70 \\ 200 + 0 &= 200 \\ 200 + 70 + 5 &= 275 \end{aligned}$$

### Expanded method of column addition

Once children are confident with place value and partitioning, they begin to set out addition as below to support the formal method. Children should start adding from the ones column and work right to left. 1 digit = 1 square.

Note the addition sign on the LEFT hand side.

Children must be taught to leave a row and/or a column of squares for this:

<b>57 + 35 = 92</b>									
	<u>T</u>				<u>O</u>				
	5	0			7				
+	3	0			5				
	8	0	+	1	2	=	9	2	

368 + 493 = 861														
	<u>H</u>					<u>T</u>				<u>O</u>				
	3	0	0			6	0			8				
+	4	0	0			9	0			3				
	7	0	0	+	1	5	0	+	1	1	=	8	6	1

## STAGE FOUR

Children progress onto learning how to work down the page, rather than across, to support the further learning of the column addition.

124 + 79 = 203					
		<u>H</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>O</u>	
		1	2	4	
	+		7	9	
			1	3	4+9
			9	0	20 + 70
	+	1	0	0	100 + 0
		2	0	3	
		1			

## STAGE FIVE

When children are secure with place value, they can begin using the compact method of addition with at least one 'carry'.

### Column addition

When exchanging, the ten or hundred etc. is placed under the answer box. Children must be taught to leave a row and/or a column of squares for this:

1 digit = 1 square.

Note the addition sign on the LEFT hand side and it leads to good habits if children place the larger number at the top.

<b>247 + 726 = <u>973</u></b>			
	<u>H</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>O</u>
	7	2	6
+	2	4	7
	9	7	3
		1	

Extend to *bigger numbers...*

<b>34,809 + 19,667 = <u>54,476</u></b>						
		<u>TTh</u>	<u>Th</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>O</u>
		3	4	8	0	9
+		1	9	6	6	7
		5	4	4	7	6
		1	1		1	

*...and decimals.*

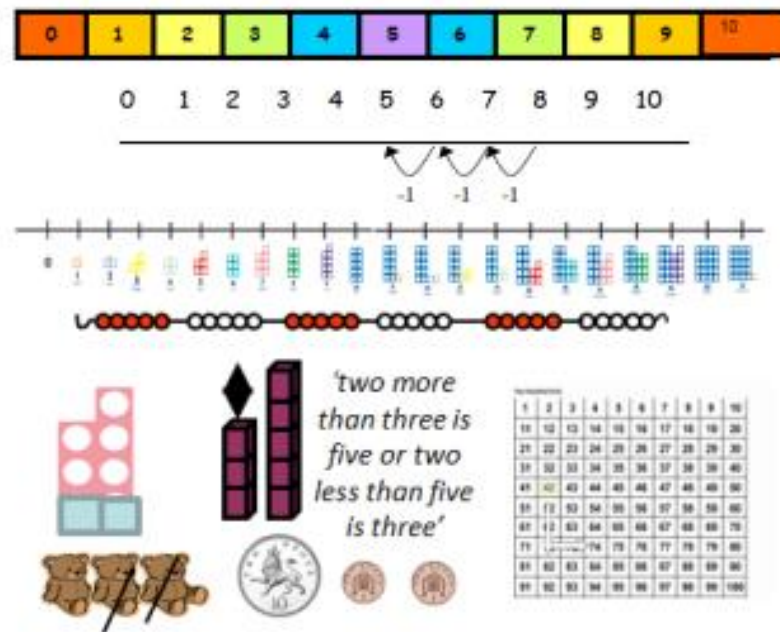
<b>35.2 + 16.0 = <u>51.2</u></b>				
	<u>T</u>	<u>O</u>	.	<u>t</u>
	3	5	.	2
+	1	6	.	0
	5	1	.	2
	1			

# SUBTRACTION

**In the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS)** and Key Stage One children are taught mental calculations which are systematically built upon throughout Key Stage Two.

Children are introduced to the processes of calculation through practical, oral and mental activities, such as counting songs, counting by rote and touch counting as well as through experiencing real-life scenarios, such as buying and selling in a shop. When subtracting, this will include language such as: less (than), fewer (than), take away, total, how many.

Resources that could be used to support this learning:



Use practical resources such as bears, counters, cubes and number lines/hundred grids and progress to a resource such as Numicon to encourage counting back in groups rather than ones



## STAGE ONE

The number line is used and is also supported by the use of the number stick and number beads.

*Other resources used to support children with their understanding of number include Numicon and number squares.*

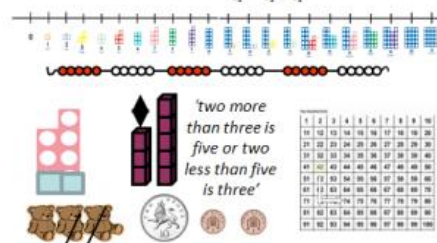
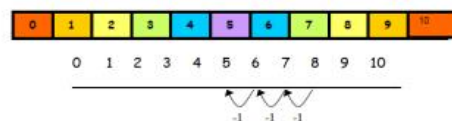
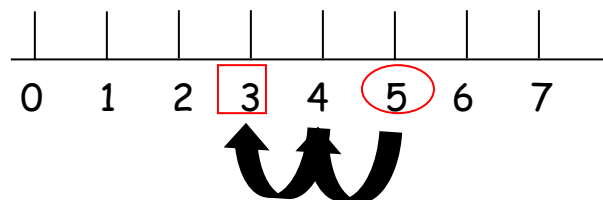
Children are taught to subtract larger numbers using the number line as their understanding of number progresses.

### Number Line

A blank or annotated number line is used for counting back.

Children jump on the bottom of the number line when subtracting.

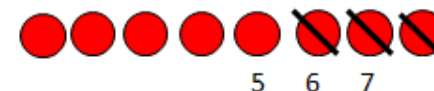
For example,  $5 - 2 = 3$



Use practical resources such as bears, counters, cubes and number lines/hundred grids and progress to a resource such as Numicon to encourage counting back in groups rather than ones

Counting back:

$$8 - 3 = 5$$



I count 8 counters.

I keep 8 in my head.

I count backwards 3 as I move 3 counters away.

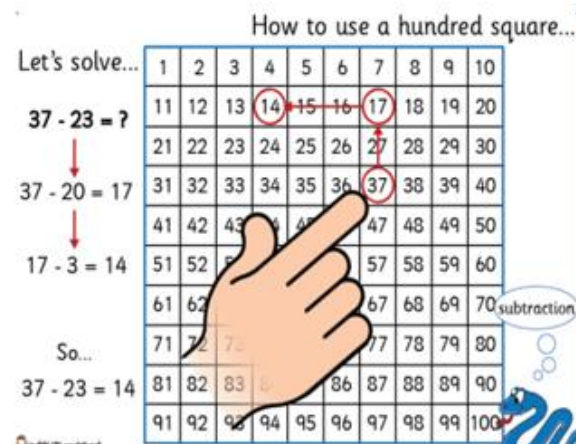
7, 6, 5

## STAGE TWO

When children are ready to be subtracting larger numbers they will do so on a hundred square. They will be encouraged to jump back in 10s and ones. Children are encouraged to then record this as a number sentence.

Children will continue to use the blank number line throughout each stage as an efficient method of subtraction.

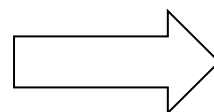
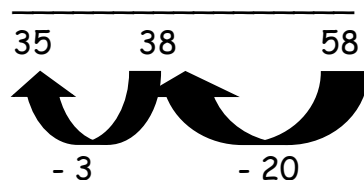
Using a Hundred Square:



Blank number line

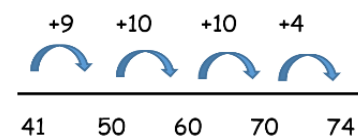
$$58 - 23 = 35$$

20 3



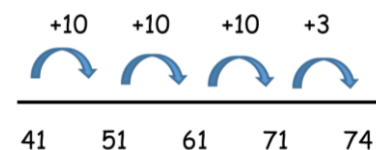
Children will also find the difference by counting on from the smaller number (to the nearest ten, then count in tens).

$$74 - 41$$



Or, if easier...

$$74 - 41$$



## STAGE THREE

Resources used to support children in the expanded method of column subtraction (partitioning in a way that leads to a formal method of subtraction) include place value cards.

Partitioning:

$$47 - 32 =$$

**I O      I O**

**4 7    3 2**

**15**

With 'exchanging', the ten or hundred etc. is placed as shown. Children must be taught to leave a row and/or a column of squares for this:

$$72 - 54 = 18$$

	<u>7</u>			<u>0</u>			
	6	0		12			
	<del>7</del>	<del>0</del>		<del>2</del>			
-	5	0		4			
	1	0	+	8	=	1	8

Children may use the expanded method of subtraction for calculations involving decimals in the context of money and measures.

### Expanded method of column subtraction

Once children are confident with place value and partitioning, they begin to set out subtraction as below to support the formal method.

1 digit = 1 square.

Note the subtraction sign on the LEFT hand side.

$$47 - 35 = 12$$

	<u>4</u>			<u>0</u>			
	4	0		7			
-	3	0		2			
	1	0	+	5	=	1	5

Subtracting *decimals* using column subtraction:

$$£3.45 - £1.91 = 154p \text{ or } £1.54$$

	<u>3</u>			<u>4</u>		<u>0</u>		
	200			140				
	<del>300</del>			<del>40</del>		5		
-	100			90		1		
	100			50		4	=	154p

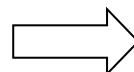
## STAGE FOUR

When children are secure with place value, they can begin using the compact method of subtraction (with increasingly larger numbers) with at least one 'exchange'.

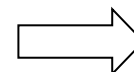
### Column subtraction

Always start on the right-hand side with the ones column. With 'exchanging' the ten or hundred etc., it is placed as shown.

<b>486 - 165 = <u>321</u></b>			
	<u>H</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>O</u>
	4	8	6
-	1	6	5
	3	2	1



<b>323 - 148 = <u>175</u></b>			
	<u>H</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>O</u>
	2	11	
	<del>3</del>	<del>2</del>	<sup>1</sup> 3
-	1	4	8
	1	7	5



Exchange 1 hundred for 10 tens, then 1 ten for ten ones.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 3607 - 489 \\
 \begin{array}{r}
 \text{5} \quad \text{9} \\
 \text{3} \text{ } \text{6} \text{ } \text{0} \text{ } \text{7} \\
 \text{5} \text{ } \text{9} \text{ } \text{0} \text{ } \text{7} \\
 - 489 \\
 \hline
 3118
 \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

And then including decimals....

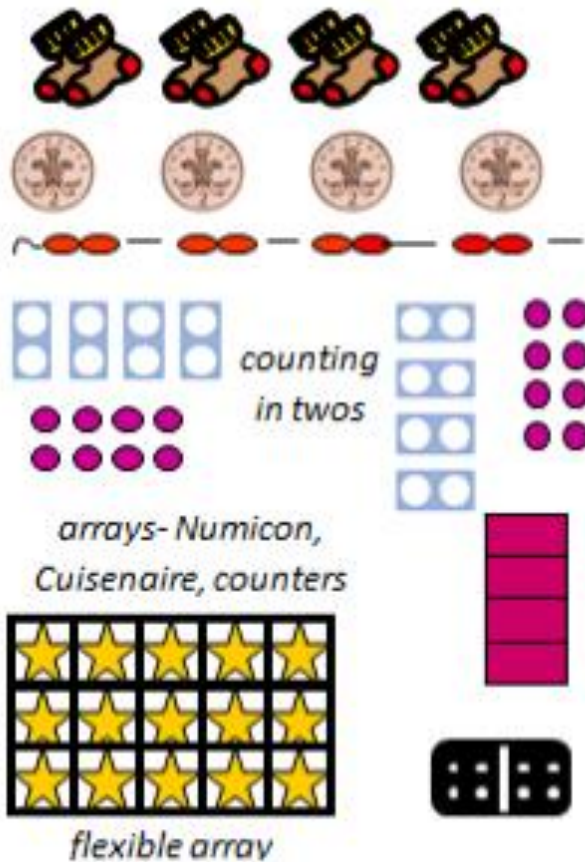
<b>£18.27 - £2.54 = <u>£17.46</u></b>					
	<u>T</u>	<u>O</u>	.	<u>t</u>	<u>h</u>
		17			
	<del>1</del>	<del>8</del>	.	<sup>1</sup> 2	7
-		2	.	5	4
	1	5	.	7	3

# MULTIPLICATION

**In the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) and Key Stage One children are taught mental calculations which are systematically built upon throughout Key Stage Two.**

Children will group objects practically and orally, talking about the total and 'how many lots of' they have. They can multiply with visual objects and pictorial representations. Children need the experience of counting objects in 2s, then 10s and 5s.

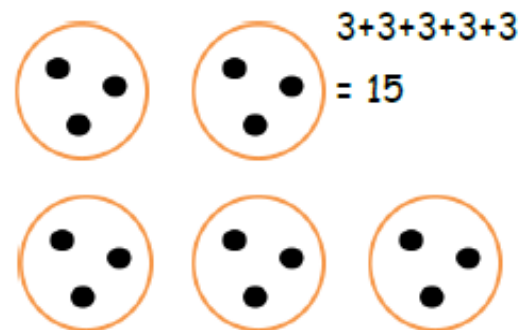
Resources that could be used to support this learning:



How many legs will 3 teddies have?



There are 3 sweets in one bag.  
How many sweets are in 5 bags  
altogether?



## STAGE ONE

Arrays are used to support repeated addition.

*To support this learning, use a range of practical experiences, including outdoor learning.*



*Also, grouping may help the children with the concept of sharing equally between groups.*

### Arrays

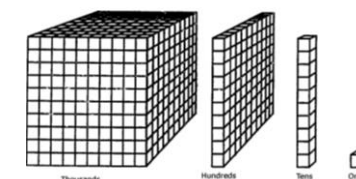
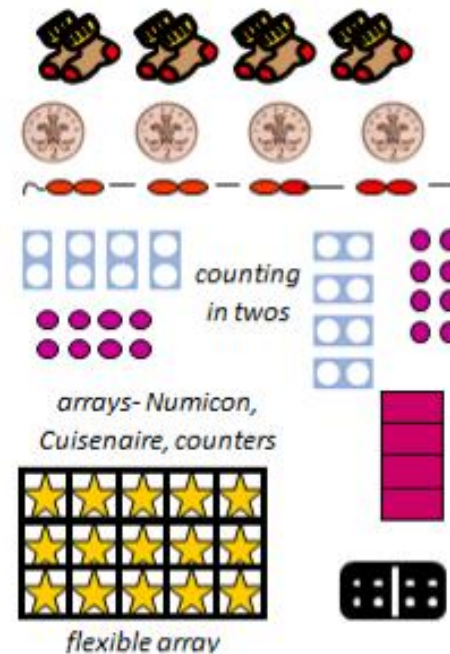
Visual representation of 'groups of' and 'lots of', through practical use of counters, objects and bead strings.

e.g.  $4 \times 2 = 2 + 2 + 2 + 2 = 8$

$$\begin{array}{c} \blacksquare \quad \blacksquare \\ \blacksquare \quad \blacksquare \quad \text{or} \quad \blacksquare \quad \blacksquare \quad \blacksquare \quad \blacksquare \\ \blacksquare \quad \blacksquare \quad \blacksquare \quad \blacksquare \\ \blacksquare \quad \blacksquare \quad 4 \times 2 \\ 2 \times 4 \end{array}$$

There are 3 sweets in one bag.  
How many sweets are in 5 bags altogether?

$$\begin{array}{c} \bigcirc \quad \bigcirc \quad 3+3+3+3+3 \\ \bigcirc \quad \bigcirc \quad = 15 \\ \bigcirc \quad \bigcirc \quad \bigcirc \end{array}$$



Dienes blocks

## STAGE TWO

Blank number lines are used to support repeated addition.

*To support this learning, use cubes and bead strings above the number sentence as a visual aid.*

e.g.

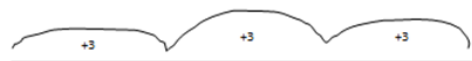
$$3 \times 3 = 3 \text{ lots (or groups) of } 3 = 9$$



Cubes



Bead String

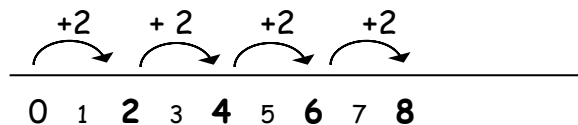


Number Line

Arrays should continue to be used as this will support the later learning and development of the grid method.

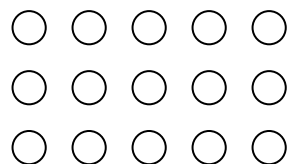
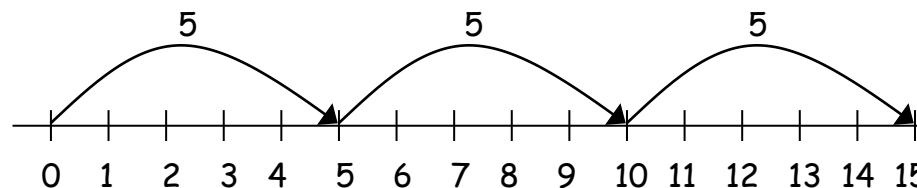
### Blank number lines

$$4 \times 2 = 4 \text{ lots of } 2 = 2 + 2 + 2 + 2 = \underline{8}$$



$$3 \text{ times } 5 \text{ is } 5 + 5 + 5 = 15 \text{ or } 3 \text{ lots of } 5 \text{ or } 3 \times 5$$

$$3 \times 5 = 5 + 5 + 5 = \underline{15}$$



$$3 \times 5 = 15$$

$$5 \times 3 = 15$$



## STAGE THREE

Resources used to support children in partitioning multiplication include place value cards and Dienes.

To support this learning, partitioning can also be shown on a number line.

When ready, children can record this calculation using brackets or by setting out as shown in the far right diagram.

### Partitioning multiplication

$$14 \times 2 = 28$$

$$10 \times 2 = 20$$

$$4 \times 2 = 8$$

$$\text{[yellow bar]} \times 2 = \text{[yellow bar]} + \text{[yellow bar]}$$

$$\text{[4 yellow squares]} \times 2 = \text{[8 yellow squares]}$$

$$16 \times 7 = 112$$

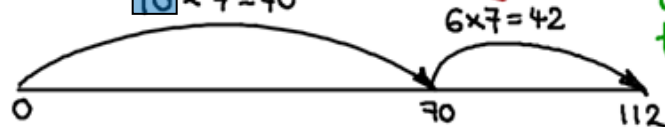
$$16 \times 7 = 112$$

$$10 \times 7 = 70$$

Add ten lots in one go.

$$6 \times 7 = 42$$

Use known times table facts.



### Partitioning multiplication with brackets

$$18 \times 5 = (10 \times 5) \text{ and } (8 \times 5)$$

$$= 50 + 40$$

$$= 90$$

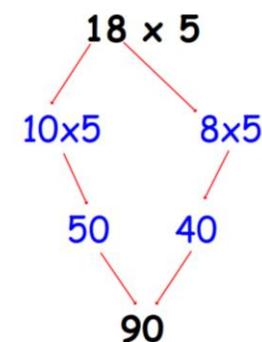
or:

$$14 \times 2 =$$

$$10 \times 2 = 20$$

$$4 \times 2 = \underline{8}$$

$$28$$





## STAGE FOUR

Once children are confident with place value and partitioning, they begin to use the grid method for multiplication.

*To support this learning, frameworks (with the grid method set out) may be provided.*

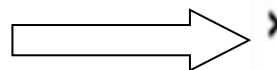
*Use resources such as Dienes and place value counters to support the learning of this method in a visual way.*

Children will progress using the grid method of calculation using larger numbers and decimals in the contexts of money and measures.

### Grid method

$43 \times 3 = 129$		
x	40	3
3	120	9

$120 + 9 = 129$



Partition the number into H, T & O

$123 \times 4 = 492$



	100	+	20	+	3	
4	400	+	80	+	12	= 492

Put the single digit here.

$4 \times 100$     $4 \times 20$     $4 \times 3$

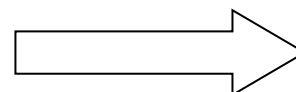
Recombine to get the answer.

$43 \times 3 = 129$

x	40	3
3		

$142g \times 28 = 3,976g \text{ or } 3.976kg$			
x	100	40	2
20	2000	800	40
8	800	320	16

$2,840 + 1,136 = 3,976$



$24.3sec \times 6 = 145.8sec \text{ or } 2mins 25.8sec$			
x	20	4	0.3
6	120	24	1.8

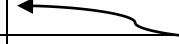

$120 + 24 + 1.8 = 145.8$

## STAGE FIVE

The next step is to progress onto the column method of multiplication.

### Extended multiplication method

(Note: the operation signs are always on the left)

138 × 7 = 966				
	<u>H</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>O</u>	
	1	3	8	
×			7	
		5	6	(7 × 8)
	2	1	0	(7 × 30)
+	7	0	0	(7 × 100)
	9	6	6	
				

Lay out calculations using knowledge of place value.

Leave a line below for space when carrying.

## STAGE SIX

### Short

$138 \times 7 = 966$			
	<u>H</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>O</u>
	1	3	8
x			7
	9	6	6
	2	5	

Carry below the line.

### Short with decimals

$3.4 \times 8 = 27.2$				
	<u>I</u>	<u>O</u>	.	<u>t</u>
		3	.	4
X				8
	2	7	.	2
	2	3		

### Long

56 x 27 = <u>1,512</u>					
	<u>Th</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>O</u>	
			5	6	
x			2	7	
		3	9	2	(7x56)
+	1	1	2	0	(20x56)
	1	5	1	2	
		1			

Multiply by bottom digits, ones first.

Use '0' as a place holder, representing x by tens.

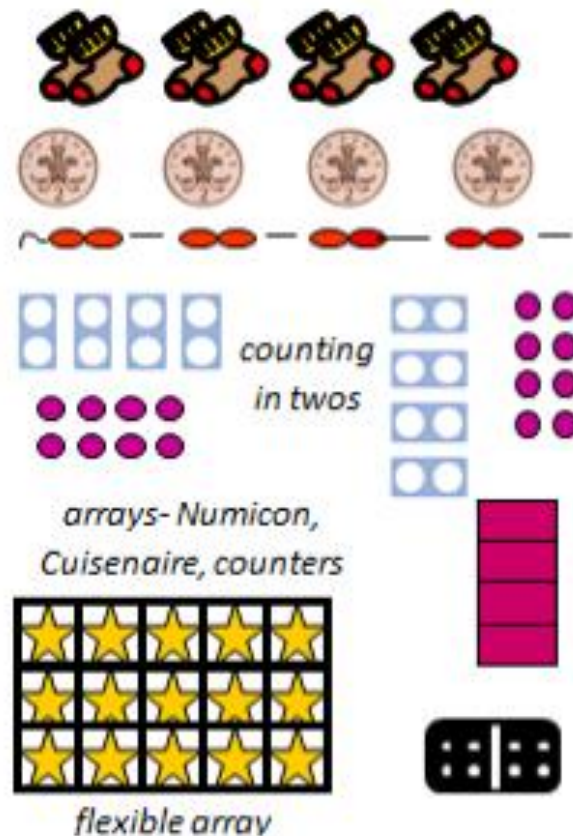
Carry numbers within the calculation, then cross them out once added back in. When adding the two parts of the answer together, carry numbers below the line.



# DIVISION

**In the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS)** and Key Stage One children are taught mental calculations which are systematically built upon throughout Key Stage Two. Children will group and share objects practically and orally, talking about the total and 'how many groups of' they have. They can divide with visual objects, Numicon and pictorial representations. Children need the experience of counting objects in 2s, then 10s and 5s. When dividing, this will include language such as: share, fair, divide, equally, left over, groups of.

Resources that could be used to support this learning:



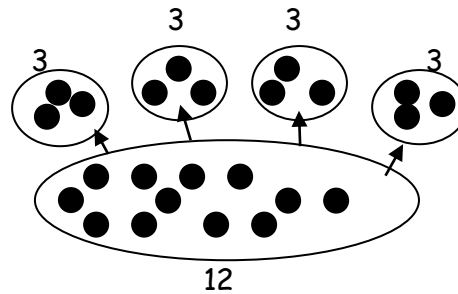
## STAGE ONE

Children use concrete materials for sharing and grouping when they begin work on division. They will begin by sharing in 2s, 10s and then 5s.

Children will need to have lots of opportunities to share and group practically and learn the vocabulary of share, fair, divide, equally, left over, groups of.

### Sharing

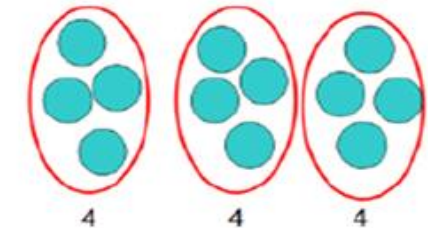
12 shared between 4 = 3



Grouping:

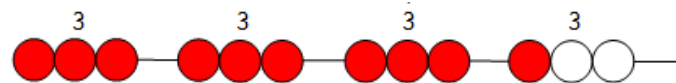


Sharing:



12 shared between 3 is 4

Bead strings can help children interpret division calculations such as  $10 \div 3$  as 'how many 3s make 10?'

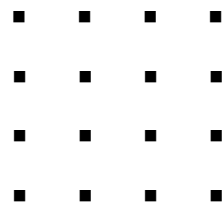


## STAGE TWO

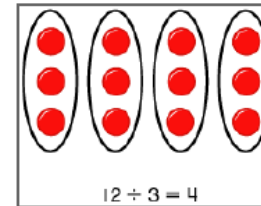
Arrays are used to support division as grouping as well as sharing (which is also how multiplication is taught using 'groups of').

### Arrays

$$16 \div 4 =$$



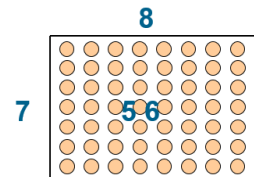
Arrays:



This represents  $12 \div 3$ , posed as how many groups of 3 are in 12?

Pupils should also show that the same array can represent  $12 \div 4 = 3$  if grouped horizontally.

$$56 \div 7 = 8$$



Which will eventually support the transition towards later stages...



To further children's learning, symbols are used for unknown numbers. This will make clear the relationship between division and multiplication.

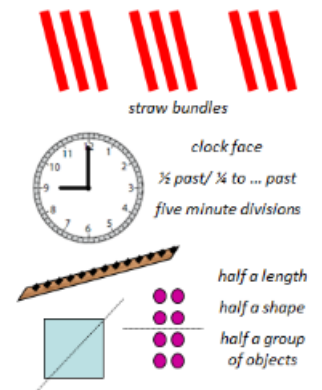
Using symbols to stand for unknown numbers to complete equations using inverse operations.

$$\square \div 2 = 4$$

$$20 \div \triangle = 4$$

$$\square \div \triangle = 4$$

Resources to support learning:



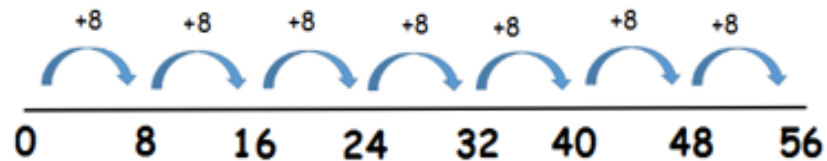
### STAGE THREE

Understanding division as repeated addition is key to understanding formal methods of division.

$$56 \div 8 = 7$$

How many times does eight 'go into' 56? It fits in 7 times exactly.

To develop speed and efficiency, encourage use of times table facts: eg  $7 \times 8 = 56$



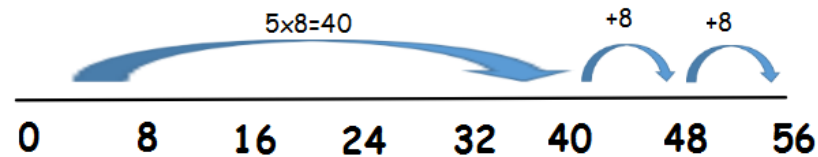
## STAGE FOUR

By using known times table facts shortcuts can be taken to reduce the number of steps.

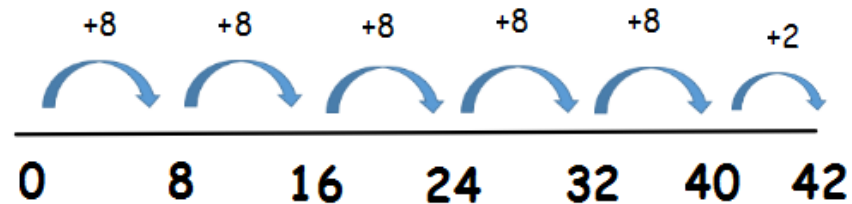
Children then progress onto dividing with remainders.

$$\underline{56 \div 8 = 7}$$

Jump 5 lots of 8 in one go, then jump in 8s until no longer possible. Or, if able, use exact times table fact, eg  $7 \times 8 = 56$ .



$$\underline{42 \div 8 = 5 \text{ r}2}$$



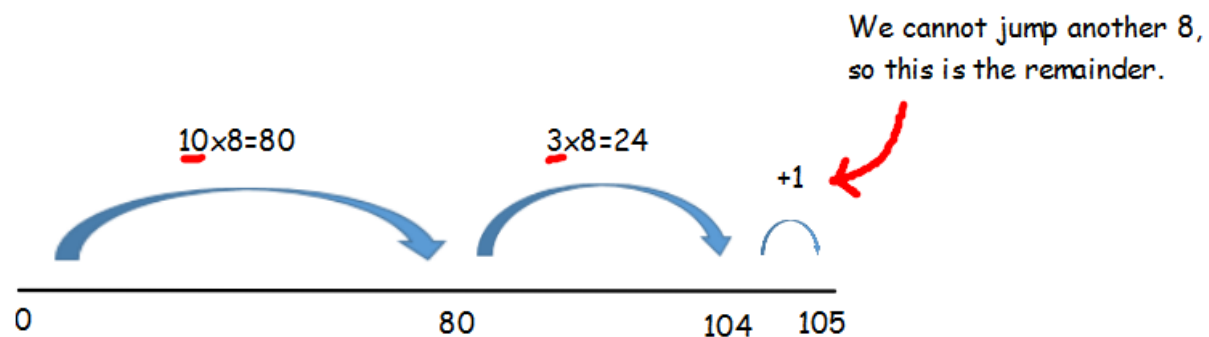


## STAGE FIVE

Using known times table facts allows children to jump in larger multiples or 'chunks'.

Children will be performing division where there are remainders.

$$105 \div 8 = 13r1$$



## STAGE SIX

Grouping on a blank number line (stage five) leads to vertical format of grouping method.

The number of steps decreases as children's estimates improve. This includes using known number facts to support bigger calculations - eg; if I know  $3 \times 6 = 18$ , then I know that  $30 \times 6 = 180$  (as seen in far right diagram).

### Grouping method

$$56 \div 4 = 14$$

		1	4			
	4	5	6			
	-	4	0	10 groups		
		1	6			
	-	1	6	4 groups		
			0			

Add up the groups they have taken away to reach the answer: **14**

### Grouping method with remainders

$$196 \div 6 = 32 \text{ r}4 \text{ (or } 32 \frac{4}{6} \text{ or } 32 \frac{2}{3})$$

			3	2			
	6	1	9	6			
	-	1	8	0	30 groups		
			1	6			
	-		1	2	2 groups		
				4			

Add up the groups they have taken away  
To reach the answer: **32 r 4**

The same method applies to larger numbers.  
 **$977 \div 36 = 27 \text{ r}5$**

				2	7	r 5
3	6		9	7	7	
		-	7	2	0	20 groups
			2	5	7	
		-	1	8	0	5 groups
				7	7	
		-		7	2	2 groups
					5	(remainder)

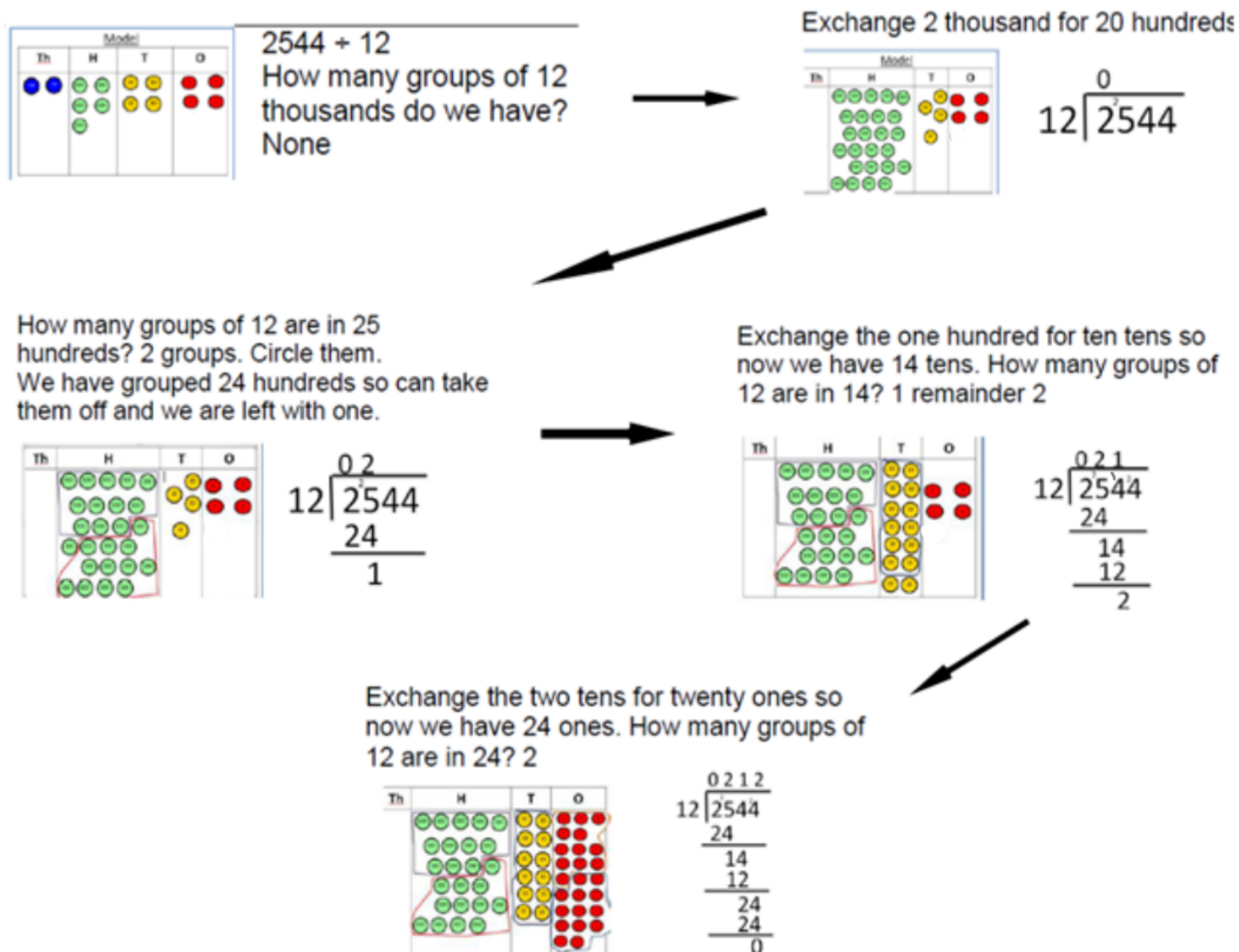
## STAGE SEVEN

Long division is an extension of the grouping method.

This can be a time consuming stage but is designed to illustrate what is happening to the numbers in terms of place value.

In addition to using physical counters, students can draw the counters and circle the groups on a whiteboard or in their books.

As soon as pupils have understood, move on to the shorter abstract methods.



Here is the same style of calculation again without the counters.

The zero at the beginning of the answer is not needed but is included to illustrate that 13 does not go into 3, so the 3 was carried to create 30 (3 thousands = 30 hundreds).

The corresponding highlights show how the 'lots of' 13 (and the remainder) create our final answer.

<b>3,017 ÷ 13 = 232 r1</b>									
			0	2	3	2	r1		
	1	3	3	0	1	7			
		-	2	6	↓				
				4	1				
			-	3	9	↓			
					2	7			
				-	2	6			
						1			

Take care to add the '0' if the divisor doesn't divide into the dividend.

<b>9,362 ÷ 12 = 780 r2</b>									
			0	7	8	0	r2		
	1	2	9	3	6	2			
		-	8	4	↓				
				9	6				
			-	9	6	↓			
					0	2			

#### Long division

432 ÷ 15 becomes

$$\begin{array}{r}
 28 \text{ r } 12 \\
 15 \overline{) 432} \\
 \underline{30 \phantom{0}} \\
 132 \\
 \underline{120} \\
 12
 \end{array}$$

Answer: 28 remainder 12

432 ÷ 15 becomes

$$\begin{array}{r}
 28 \\
 15 \overline{) 432} \\
 \underline{30 \phantom{0}} \quad 15 \times 20 \\
 132 \\
 \underline{120} \quad 15 \times 8 \\
 12
 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{12}{15} = \frac{4}{5}$$

Answer:  $28 \frac{4}{5}$

432 ÷ 15 becomes

$$\begin{array}{r}
 28.8 \\
 15 \overline{) 432.0} \\
 \underline{30 \phantom{0}} \quad \downarrow \\
 132 \\
 \underline{120} \quad \downarrow \\
 120 \\
 \underline{120} \\
 0
 \end{array}$$

Answer: 28.8

These examples are taken from the national curriculum and demonstrate remainders as fractions and decimals.

## STAGE EIGHT

Short division is an extension for children who have a secure knowledge. It is not an alternative to the grouping or long division method.

Compare this with the longer version in stage 7 to see the individual calculations behind this shortened version.

Short division

$$378 \div 8 = 42$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 042 \\ 9 \overline{) 378} \end{array}$$

Diagram illustrating short division for  $378 \div 8$ . The divisor 8 is written outside the division bar. The dividend 378 is written inside. The quotient 042 is written above the bar. Blue annotations show the steps: a blue '3' above the first '3' of the dividend, a blue '1' above the '7', and a blue '1' above the '8'.

$$3,017 \div 13 = \underline{232} \text{ r}1 = \underline{232^1/_{13}}$$

				2	3	2	r1	
	1	3	3	0	<sup>4</sup> 1	<sup>2</sup> 7		

Start on the left. Carry remainder in front of next digit. Answer above the line.