

Chilthorne Domer Church School Calculation Policy Reviewed 2025



This policy has been designed to teach children through the use of concrete, pictorialand abstract methods. This calculation policy should be used to support children to develop a deep understanding of number and calculation.

Background

This policy has been developed by Maths Coordinators with a specific interest in the use of Singapore methods to develop number awareness and fluency.

The policy only details the strategies; teachers must plan opportunities for pupils to applythese; for example, when solving problems, or where opportunities emerge elsewhere inthe curriculum.

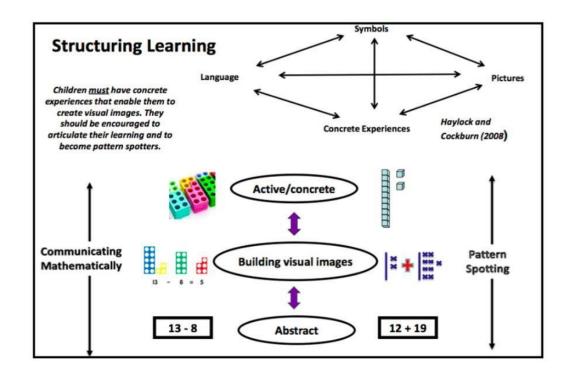
Using the concrete-pictorial-abstract approach:

Children develop an understanding of a mathematical concept through the three steps(or representation) of concrete-pictorial-abstract approach. Reinforcement is achieved by going back and forth between these representations.

Concrete representation The enactive stage - a pupil is first introduced to an idea or a skill byacting it out with real objects. This is a 'hands on' component using real objects and it is the foundation for conceptual understanding.

Pictorial representation The iconic stage - a pupil has sufficiently understood the hands-on experiences performed and can now relate them to representations, such as a diagram or picture of the problem.

Abstract representation The symbolic stage - a pupil is now capable of representing problems by using mathematical notation, for example: $12 \div 2 = 6$.



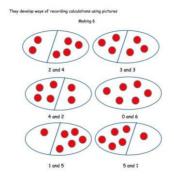
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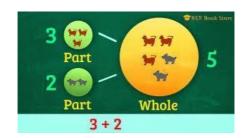
This is document provides guidance and examples for key objectives for each year groupbut is not to be followed as a complete planning aid as not all objectives are exemplified.

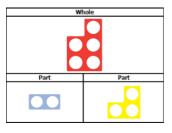
Reception

Addition

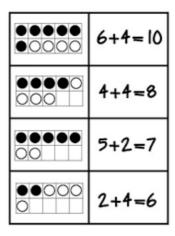
Explore part part whole relationship







Using the ten frame to support addition of single digits – counting all/combining two groups



Solving problems using concrete and pictorial images.

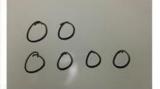
Sara has 2 apples.
Jon has 5 apples.
How many apples do
they have altogether?
How many more
apples does Jon have
than Sara?











Subtraction

Taking away after counting out practical equipment. . Children would be encouraged to physically remove these using touch counting.



By touch counting and dragging in this way, it allows children to keep track of how many they are removing so they don't have to keep recounting. They will then touch count the amount that are left to find the answer.

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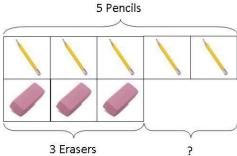
donuts



Those who are ready may record their own calculations

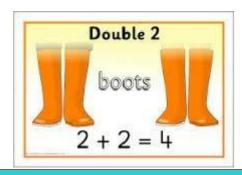
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Using the ten frame to support subtraction by taking away



Peter has 5 pencils and 3 erasers. How many more pencils than erasers does he have? Solving problems using concrete and pictorial images.

Multiplication



Children will experience equal groups of objects.

They will work on practical problem solving activities involving

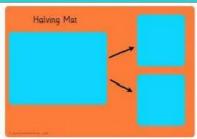




There are 6 pairs of socks. How many socks are there altogether?

Division

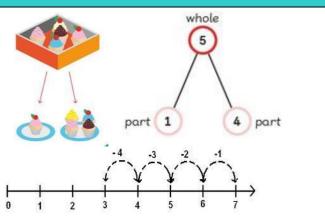




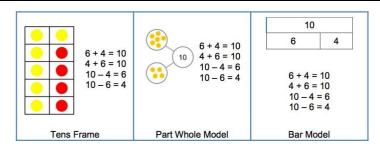
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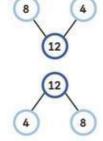
Joining two groups and then recounting all objects using one-to-one Correspondence (lots of practice making 10 and numbers to 10 e.g. 6 + 4 = 10 or 3 + 5 = 8)

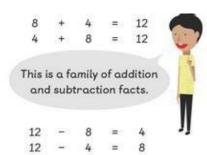




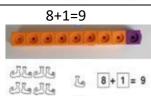
Learn number bonds to 20 and demonstrate related facts
Teach addition and subtraction alongside each other as pupils need to see the relationship between the facts.







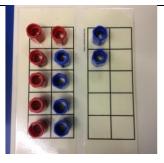
Add and subtract one digit numbers and two digit numbers to 20, including zero



Bridging 10

Use ten frames, Singapore bars, egg boxes and number lines to practice.

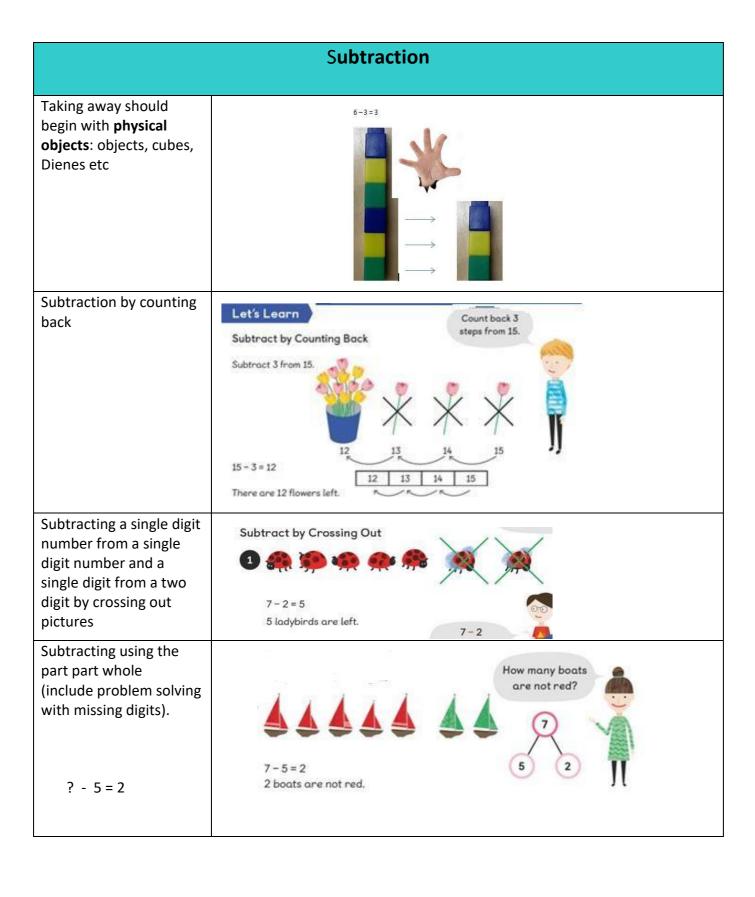
Chn should start with the larger number and add the smaller number seeing what makes ten and what is left over.





6 + 6 = 12

Make 9 in one and 3 in the other. Take one from the 3 to make the 9 into a ten....10+2 = 12



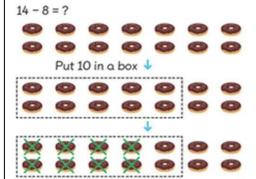
Subtraction by subtracting from 10

Children subtract from 10 and not from ones

14 - 8 = ?

Let's Learn

Subtract from 10



10 - 8 = 2 4 + 2 = 6

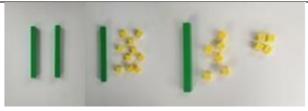


14 - 8 = 6

Sam has 6 doughnuts left.

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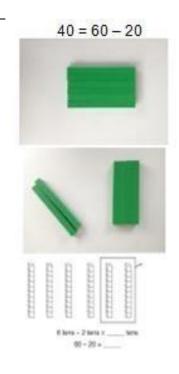
When subtracting using Dienes children should be taught to regroup a ten rod for 10 ones and then subtract from those ones

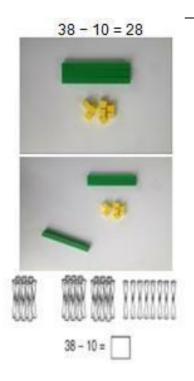


$$20 - 4 = 16$$

Subtracting multiples of 10

Using the vocabulary of 1 ten, 2 tens etc alongside 10, 20, 30 Is very important here as pupils need to understand that it is a 10 not a 1 that is being taken away





Multiplication

Counting in multiples of 2, 5 and 10 from zero

Children should count the number of groups on their fingers as they are

skip counting.









4 groups of 2 = 8



 $2 \times 4 = 8$









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When moving to pictorial/written calculations the vocabulary is important



This image represents two groups of 4 or 4 twice

Solving multiplication problems using repeated addition





3 + 3 + 3 = 9

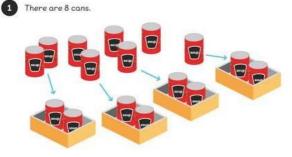
 $8 \div 4 = 2$

Division

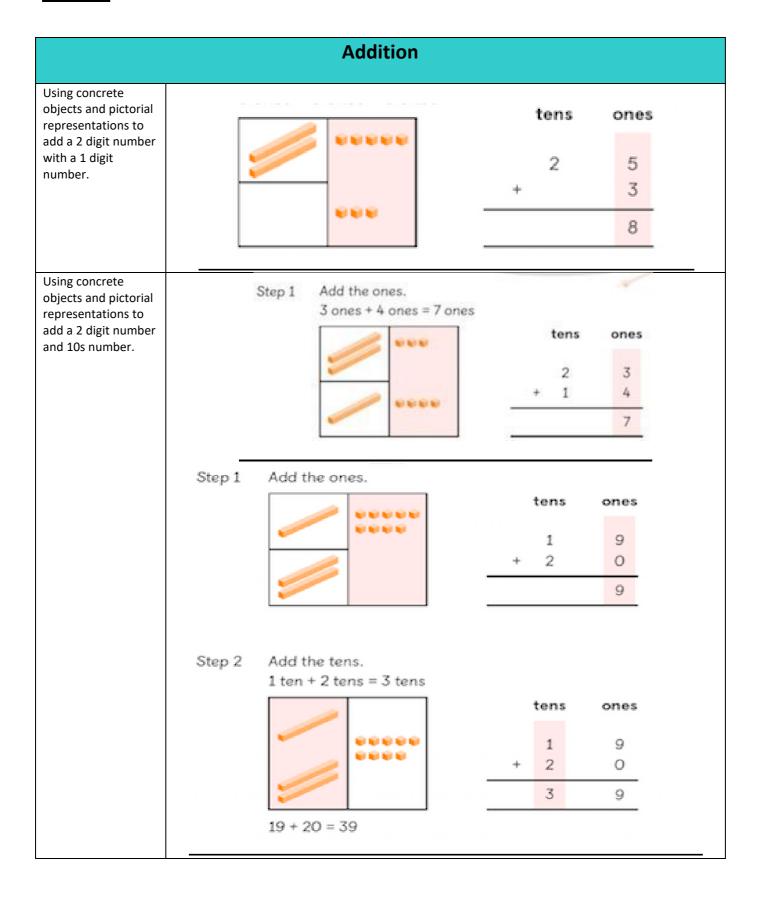
Pupils should be taught to divide through working practically and the sharing should be shown below the whole to familiarize children with the concept of the whole.

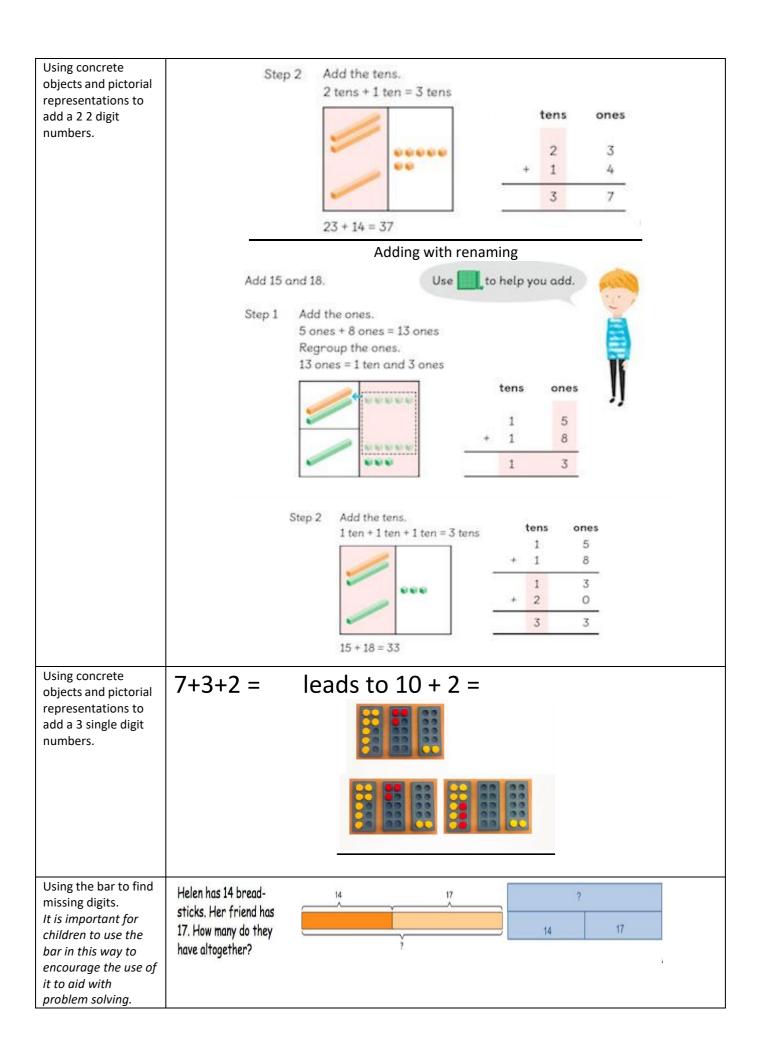
The language of whole and part part should be used.

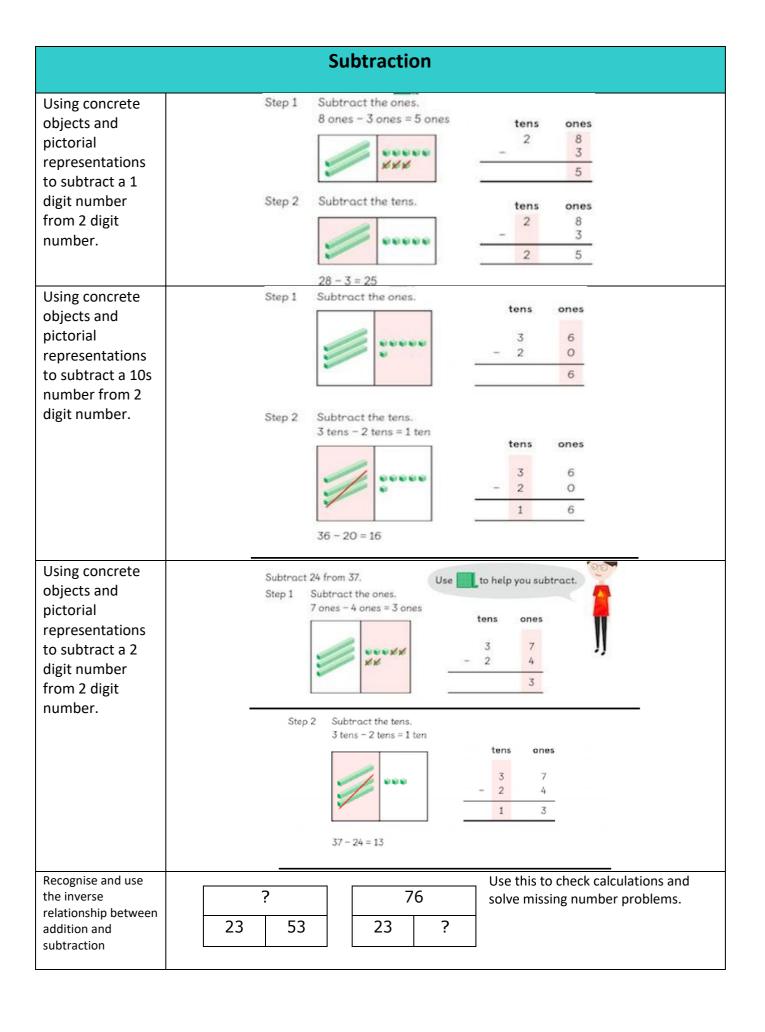
 $10 \div 2 = 5$

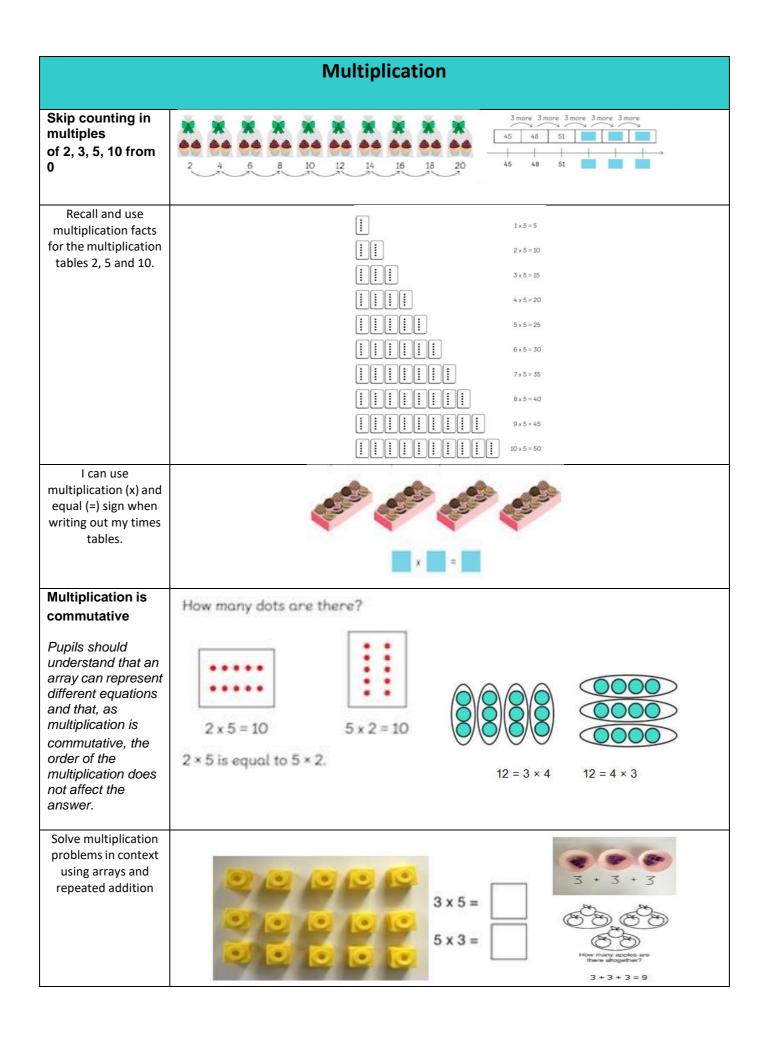


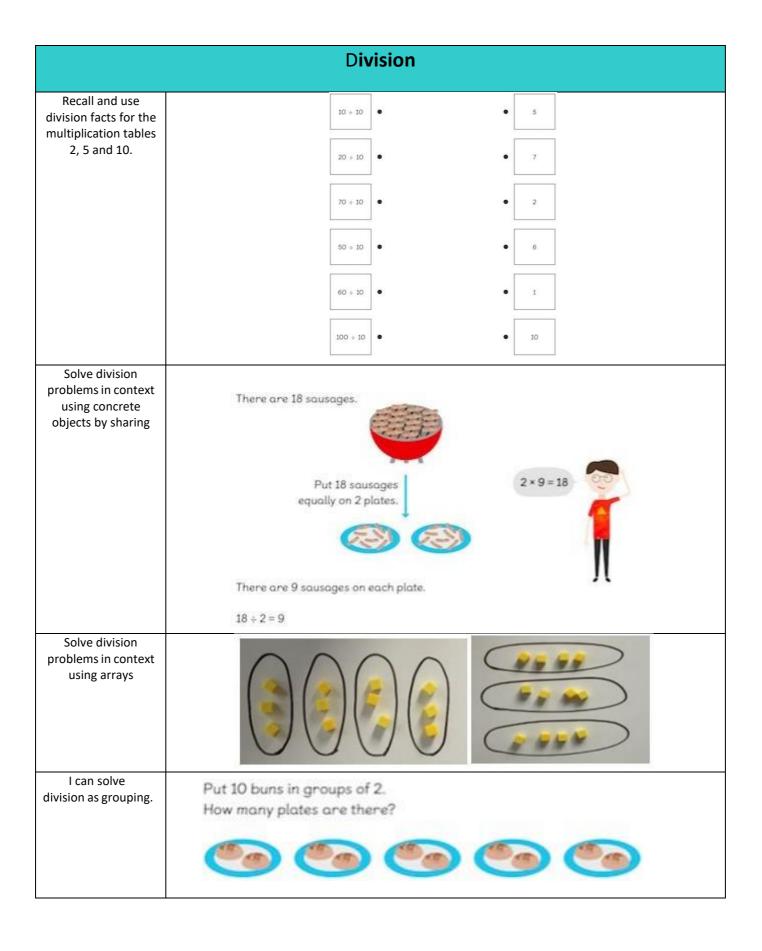
There are 4 boxes of 2 cans.

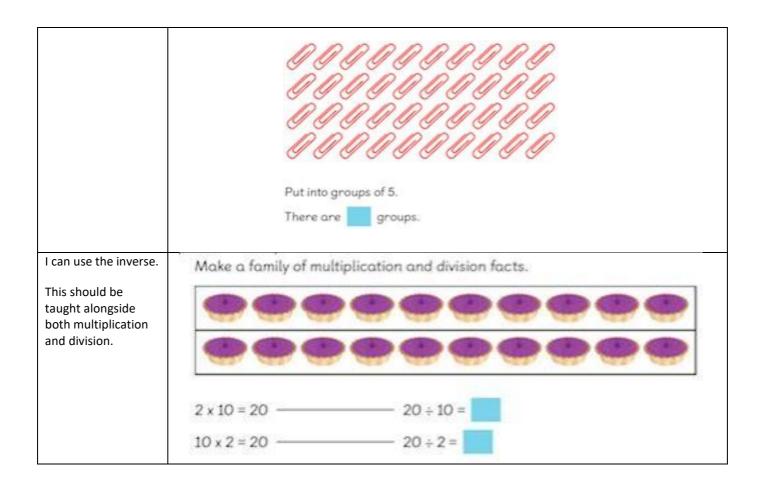


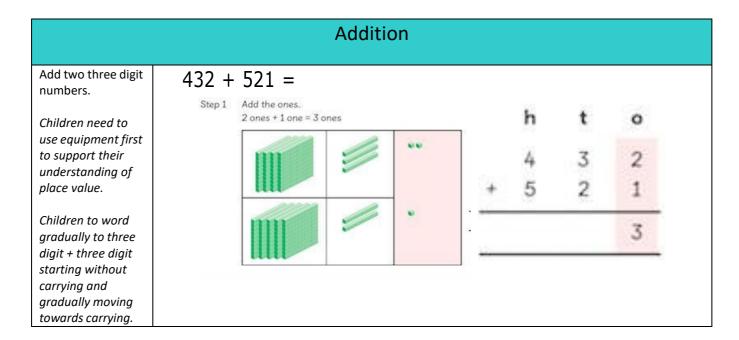






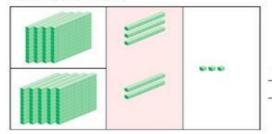




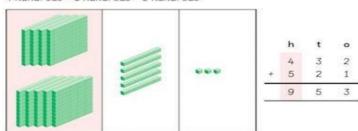


Step 2 Add the tens.

3 tens + 2 tens = 5 tens



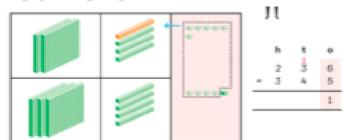
Step 3 Add the hundreds. 4 hundreds + 5 hundreds = 9 hundreds



432 + 521 = 953

There are 953 flowers altogether.

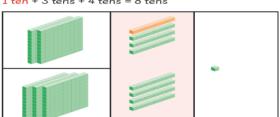
236 + 345 =



Step 2

Add the tens.

1 ten + 3 tens + 4 tens = 8 tens



	h	t	0
	2	3	6
+	3	4	5
		8	1

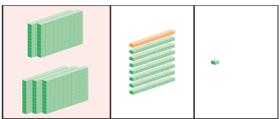
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Step 3 Add the hundreds. 2 hundreds + 3 hundreds = 5 hundreds



	h	t	0
	2	1 3	6
+	3	4	5
	5	8	1

236 + 345 = 581

Using the bar to find missing digits. It is important for children to use the bar in this way to encourage the use of it to aid with problem solving.

Bar Model to support understanding of problem solving:



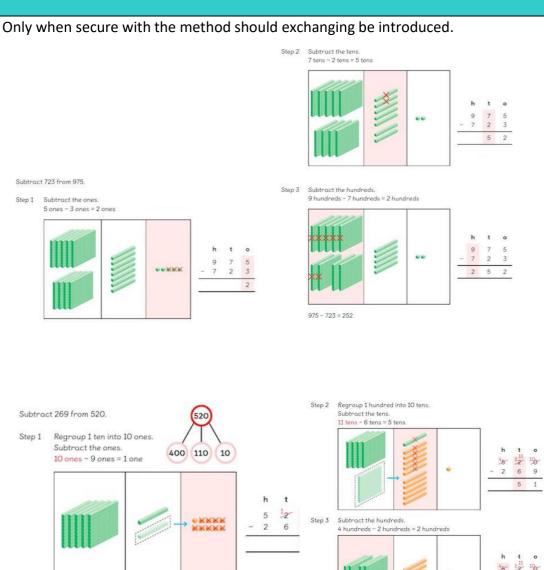
A man sold 230 balloons at a carnival in the morning. He sold another 86 balloons in the evening . How many balloons did he sell in all?



Subtraction

Subtract up to 3 digits from 3 digits.

Very important for children to use dienes equipment along with a place value chart to support.



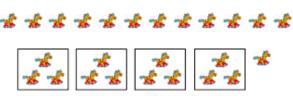
520 - 269 = 251

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Using the bar to find missing digits.	315 — 185 = ?
It is important for	185 ? 185 + ? = 315
children to use the	103 1 : - 313
bar in this way to encourage the use	
of it to aid with problem solving.	? 185 + 315 = ?
problem solving.	185 315 ? – 185 = 315
	Multiplication
Children should be able to recall the 2, 5, 10, 3, 4 and 8 times tables.	Let's Learn 1 There are 4 groups of 23 fish. How do we multiply 23 by 4?
Multiple a two digit	
number by a one	Step 1 Multiply the ones by 4.
digit.	2 3
	4 ones × 3 = 12 ones 12 ones = 1 ten 2 ones
	12 ones = 1 ten 2 ones
	Step 2 Multiply the tens by 4.
	2 3
	1 2 8 0
	2 tens × 4 = 8 tens
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	Step 3 Add the products. t o 2 3 x 4 1 2 + 8 0 9 2
	12 + 8O = 92
	23 × 4 = 92
	There are 92 fish in 4 tanks.
Using the bar to solve multiplication problems.	4 children go to the cinema. They each pay £15. How much do they spand although a spand a spa
	do they spend altogether?

Division

Dividing by grouping undrestanding the concept of remainders.

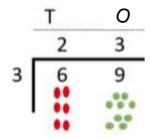
Start with using the real objects-or objects that represent the calculation.



13 ÷ 4 = 3 Remainder 1

Dividing using short division.

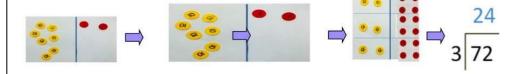
Once children are secure with division as grouping and demonstrate this using number lines, arrays etc., **short** division for larger 2-digit numbers should be introduced, initially with carefully selected examples requiring no calculating of remainders at all. Start by introducing the layout of short division by comparing it to an array.



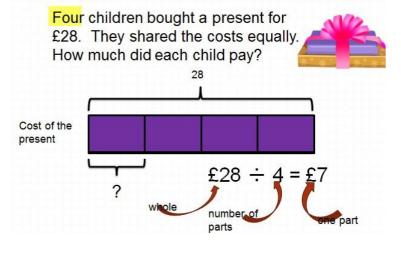
Remind children of correct place value, that 69 is equal to 60 and 9, but in short division, pose:

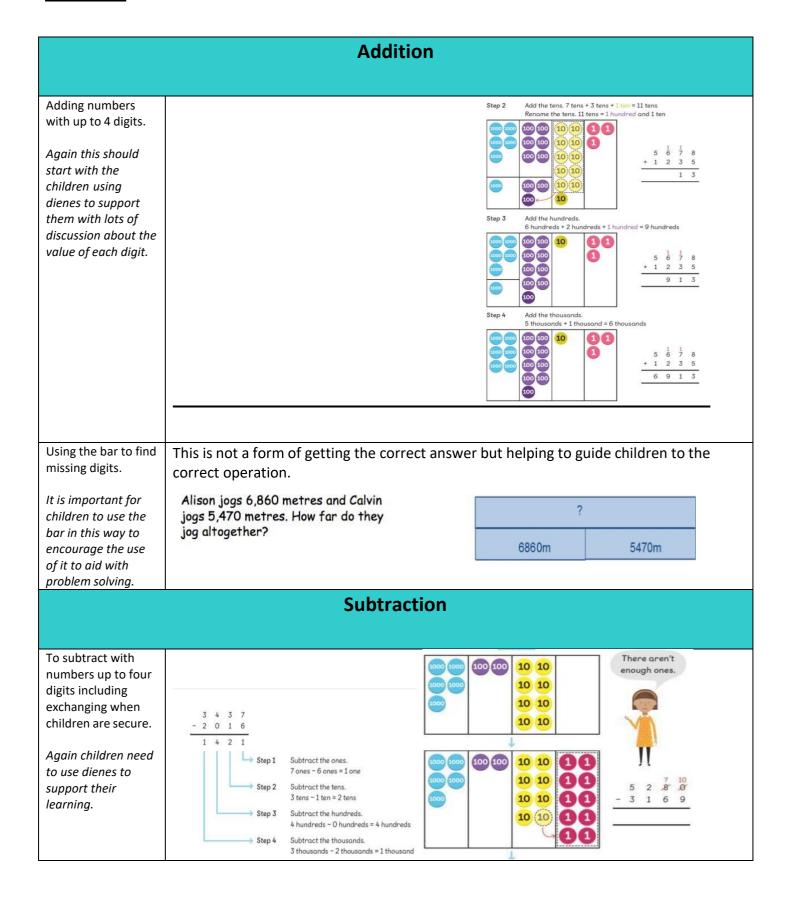
- · How many 3's in 6? = 2, and record it above the **6 tens**.
- · How many 3's in 9? = 3, and record it above the **9 ones**.

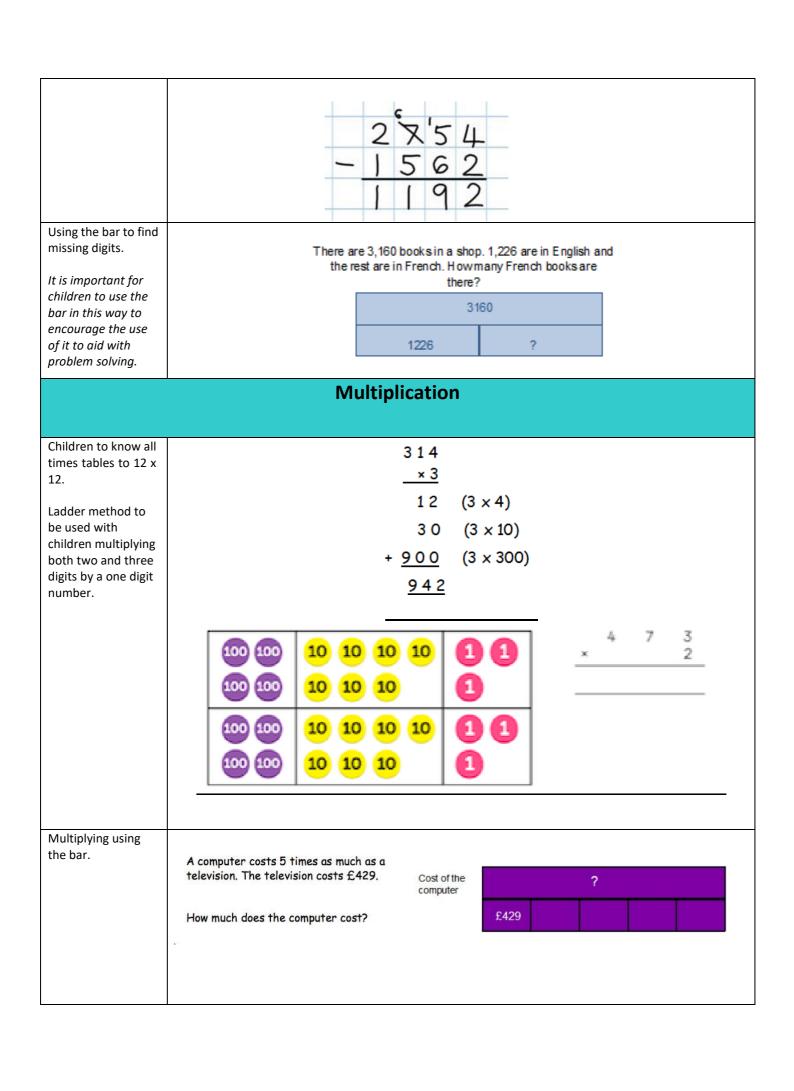
Once children demonstrate a full understanding of remainders, and also the short division method taught, they can be taught how to use the method when remainders occur within the calculation (e.g. 72÷3), and be taught to 'carry' the remainder onto the next digit.

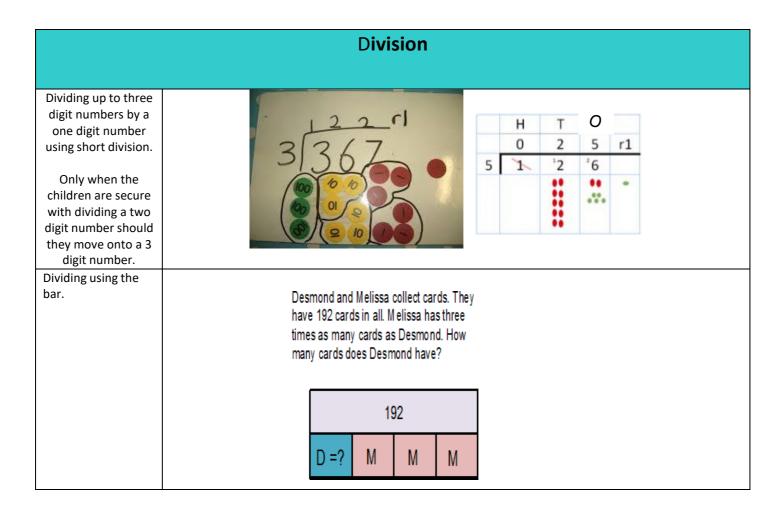


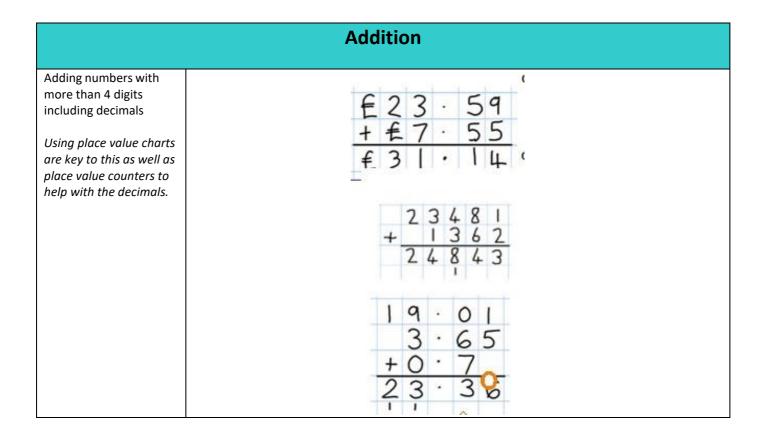
Using the bar to aid the solving of division problems.











Using the bar to find missing digits.

It is important for children to use the bar in this way to encourage the use of it to aid with problem solving.

This is not a form of getting the correct answer but helping to guide children to the correct operation.

MacDonalds sold £9957.68 worth of hamburgers and £1238.5 worth of chicken nuggets. How much money did they take altogether?

	?
£957.68	£1238.5

Subtraction

Subtract with at least four digit numbers including two decimal places.

Include money, measures and decimals ensuring that children do this practically before the abstract.

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

Approxima te, Calculate, Check.

<mark>Approximate,</mark>

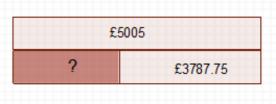
Calculate.

Check.

Using the bar to find missing digits.

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A whole to Lapland costs £5005 for a family of four. the Smith's have only saved £3787.75, how much money do they still need to find?



Multiplication

Multiplying up to four digit numbers by two digits using long multiplication.

Children need to be taught to approximate first, e.g. for 72 x 38, they will use rounding: **72 x 38** is approximately 70 x 40 = **2800**, and use the approximation to check the

56 X 27

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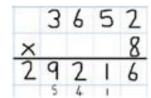
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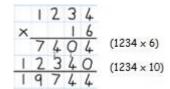
 (56×20)

· Explain that first we are multiplying the top number by 7 starting with the units. (any carrying needs to be done underneath the numbers).

reasonableness of their answer.

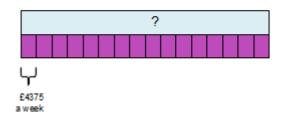
- \cdot Now explain that we need to put a 0 underneath—explain that this is because we are multiplying the number by 20.. (2 tens) which is the same as multiplying 10 and 2.
- · Now add the 2 numbers together to give you the answer.
- · This will need lots of modeling to show the children.





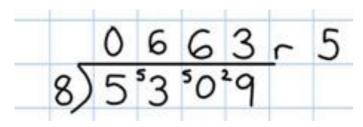
Using the bar to support multiplication.

The cost to run a sports centre is £4375 a week, how much would it cost to run for 16 weeks?



Division

Diving with up to four digit numbers by one digit including numbers where remainders are left.



Using the bar to support division problems.

Bar Model to support understanding of problem solving:

Frank has 4920 apples. He needs to put them into baskets of 40. How many baskets does he need?

