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Corvus Education Trust Calculation Policy

<u>Aims</u>

This Calculation Policy aims to ensure all pupils:

- see mathematics as both a written and spoken language
- are competent in fluency, reasoning and problem solving
- understand important mathematical concepts and make connections within mathematics
- are taught consistent calculation strategies in a methodical manner across the academy trust
- understand the progression of skills and key concepts for the four operations through a concrete, pictorial and abstract approach
- are able to add, subtract, multiply and divide efficiently

<u>Overview</u>

Within the Corvus Trust we believe that it is essential for children to move from a conceptual understanding to an abstract understanding of mathematics. This will enable children to develop a secure knowledge of mathematics and become confident in applying their mathematical skills. The calculation strategies we have outlined in this document are progressive and at each stage make links between concrete, pictorial and abstract recording before moving to more formal written methods.

Mental Skills

It is essential that pupils are provided with daily opportunities to develop their mental calculation skills. They need to be able to:

- recognise the size, place value and position of numbers
- count on and back in steps of different sizes from any number, including where they need to bridge through ten
- know number bonds
- partition and recombine numbers
- recognise doubles and halves
- quickly recall multiplication facts and derive associated division facts
- use known facts to generate related number facts

Representations

All schools use a variety of concrete, pictorial and abstract representations of numbers and calculations. Pupils should have an opportunity to manipulate and experience a variety of models, images, and resources to enable them to choose the most suitable representation for each calculation. In the picture below you can see some examples of models, images and resources: arrow cards, bead strings, counters, ten frames, dice, Base 10, digit cards, multilink, number fans, number lines, number tracks, Numicon, Cuisenaire, sorting objects etc.



<u>Algebra</u>

The development of algebra begins early on and should be a focus of early mathematical teaching. As soon as children are introduced to symbols, calculations

need to be presented in different ways. Children need to learn that, in maths, equality (=) means two sets are balanced and inequality (\neq) means an imbalance. They need to see number sentences as equations that can be represented in numerous ways e.g. 7 + 3 = 10 could also be represented as 10 = 3 + 7. They can also be represented as balanced equations e.g. 1 + 9 = 6 + 4 or 7 + 3 = 12 - 2. To deepen their understanding, children should have opportunities to experience some examples of inequality e.g. 9 \neq 6 + 2.

Progression in Teaching Addition

Key Vocabulary

More, count on, increase, add, plus, addition, sum, total, altogether, equals, partition, recombine, commutative.



Begin to relate addition to combining two parts to make a whole.	and makes 5 makes 5
Count along a number line to add numbers together (within ten).	3+2=5
Begin to use the + and = signs to record mental calculations in a number sentence	6 + 4=10 ?
Know that addition can be done in any order (commutative law)	$ \begin{array}{c} 1 + 2 = 3 \\ 2 + 1 = 3 \\ 2 + 3 = 3 \\ 3 = 3 \\ 3 = 3 $
Count on from the biggest number.	
Regrouping to make 10.	8 + 3 8 + 2 = 10 10 + 1 = 11





To add successfully, children need to be able to:

- recall all addition pairs to 9 + 9 and number bonds
- add mentally a series of one-digit numbers, such as 5 + 8 + 4
- add multiples of 10, 100, 1000 and beyond using related addition facts and their knowledge of place value e.g. 6 + 7, 60 + 70, 600 + 700 and so on.
- Partition numbers in different ways

Progression in Teaching Subtraction

Key Vocabulary

less, fewer, count back, decrease, take away, minus, subtraction, difference, left, equals, partition, inverse.

Progression	Subtraction method
of skills	
Begin to count backwards in familiar contexts such as number rhymes and stories	Five fat sausages frying in a pan
Continue	
the count back in ones from any given number	10,9,8,7.
Begin to	
relate subtraction to 'taking away'	Three teddies take away two teddies leaves one teddy
Find one	Souther, I less than 8 is? 7
less than a	2 less than 8 is? 7,6 3 less than 8 is? 7,6
number	00000 0 0 0 7.6.5 c 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 6 5 13 count back one, two or three
Count back	
in multiples	10 25 46 55 65 75 46 10
of ten and	
in tens	
from any	
given	
number	





To subtract successfully, children need to be able to:

- recall addition and subtraction facts to 20
- subtract mentally a series of one-digit numbers, such as 17 3 4
- subtract multiples of 10, 100, 1000 and beyond using related subtraction facts and their knowledge of place value e.g. 8 - 5, 80 - 50, 800 - 500 and so on
- Partition numbers in different ways

Progression in Teaching Multiplication

Key Vocabulary

Repeated addition, groups, array, multiply, multiplication, product, total, altogether, equals, partition, commutative, distributive.

Progression	Multiplication method
of skills	
Count in tens	
from zero	
Count in twos	
from zero	
Count in fives from zero	
Understand multiplication as repeated addition	2+2+2+2
	4 groups of 2 2 + 2 + 2 + 2 = 8 2 multiplied by 4 2 x 4 = 8
Use a number line to represent repeated addition	$5 \times 3 = 5 + 5 + 5 = 15$





To multiply successfully, children need to be able to:

- recall all multiplication facts to 12 x 12
- partition numbers in different ways, not just multiples of hundreds, tens and ones
- have a secure knowledge of place value and addition
- work out products e.g. 70×5 , 70×50 , 700×5 using the related fact 7×5 .

Progression in Teaching Division

Key Vocabulary

Repeated subtraction, groups, share, array, divide, division, equals, partition, fraction, inverse, remainder, factor, numerator, denominator







To divide successfully, children need to be able to:

- understand division as repeated subtraction
- estimate how many times one number divides into another
- multiply numbers mentally up to 12 x 12 and know some related multiplaction facts.
- have a secure knowledge of place value and subtraction

Conclusion

Although these strategies are progressive, children should not be encourage to stick to one prescribed strategy. They should be encouraged to reflect upon which method or strategy they find most reliable and suits their style of learning. It is important that children are allowed to record their working out and this should be encouraged from an early age.