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Calculations Policy
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This policy outlines the teaching and progression of written methods taught at New Hall Primary School & Children's Centre. The school's policy for mathematics is based on 'The Renewed Framework for teaching mathematics from Reception to Year 6 (2006)'. This policy has been drawn up to ensure consistency and progression throughout the school. The policy outlines the written methods and strategies used in the four areas of number. It is the responsibility of all staff to ensure the agreed methods are taught and progression is followed.

Although the focus of the policy is on pencil and paper procedures it is important to recognise that the ability to calculate mentally lies at the heart of the Numeracy Strategy. The mental methods in the Framework for teaching mathematics should be taught systematically from Reception onwards and pupils should be given regular opportunities to develop the necessary skills. However mental calculation is not at the exclusion of written recording and should be seen as complementary to and not as separate from it. In every written method there is an element of mental processing. Sharing written methods with the teacher encourages children to think about the mental strategies that underpin them and to develop new ideas. Therefore written recording both helps children to clarify their thinking and supports and extends the development of more fluent and sophisticated mental strategies.

Children should be encouraged to see mathematics as both a written and spoken language. Teachers should support and guide children through the following important stages:

- developing the use of pictures and a mixture of words and symbols to represent numerical activities;
- using standard symbols and conventions;
- use of jottings to aid a mental strategy;
- use of pencil and paper procedures;
- use of a calculator.

This policy concentrates on the introduction of standard symbols, the use of the empty number line to aid mental calculation and on the introduction of other pencil and paper procedures. It is important that children do not abandon jottings and mental methods once other pencil and paper procedures are introduced. Therefore children will always be encouraged to look at a calculation/problem and then decide which is the best method to choose - pictures, mental calculation with or without jottings, structured recording or a calculator. The long-term aim is for children to be able to select an efficient method (whether this be mental, written or in upper Key Stage 2 using a calculator) that is appropriate for a given task.

Addition

Mental calculations progressing to a formal written column method using carrying and adding least significant number first.

Subtraction

Mental calculations progressing to the formal written column method of decomposition. Subtracting least significant number first.

Multiplication

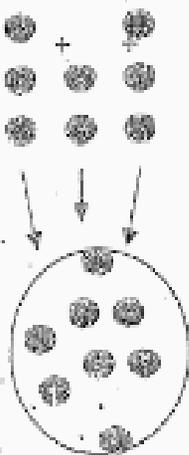
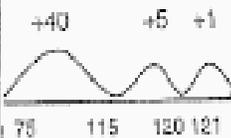
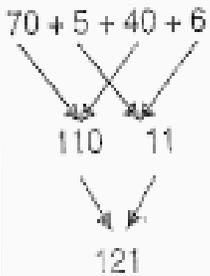
Mental calculations progressing to the use of arrays and the formal written grid method.

Division

Mental calculations progressing to the formal written method of chunking.

See progression sheets for examples of year group expectations.

Overview of progress in addition

| Reception | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 |
|---|---|---|--|--|--|--|
| <p>Develop understanding through practical modelling, activities and discussions</p>  | <p>Model the operation and represent using symbols and numbers</p> $\square + 4 = 8$ $4 + \triangle = 10$ | $\square + 14 = 100$ $16 + \triangle = 27$ <p>Use apparatus to solve addition of two digit numbers</p> <p>Eg. $28 + 37$</p> $14 + 13 + 16$ | $75 + 46 =$ <p style="text-align: center;">+40 +5 +1</p>  $75 \quad 115 \quad 120 \quad 121$ $70 + 5 + 40 + 6$  $110 \quad 11$ 121 $\begin{array}{r} 70 + 5 \\ 40 + 6 \\ \hline 110 + 11 \end{array}$ | <p>Approximating, setting out and preparing for carrying.</p> <p>Adding least significant digit first.</p> $\begin{array}{r} 388 \\ + 53 \\ \hline 111 \\ 300 \\ \hline 441 \end{array}$ | <p>Approximating, adding least significant digit first and using carrying.</p> $\begin{array}{r} 587 \\ + 485 \\ \hline 12 \\ 160 \\ \hline 900 \\ 1072 \end{array}$ <p style="text-align: center;">↓</p> $\begin{array}{r} 587 \\ + 485 \\ \hline 1072 \\ 11 \end{array}$ | <p>Approximating, adding least significant digit first, using carrying and extending to decimals.</p> $\begin{array}{r} 6584 \\ + 5848 \\ \hline 12432 \\ 1111 \end{array}$ $\begin{array}{r} 403.20 \\ 60.82 \\ + 0.51 \\ \hline 464.53 \\ 1 \end{array}$ |

Overview of progress in Subtraction (decomposition)

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| Foundation | Children are expected to experience the concept of subtraction and its associated vocabulary through practical modelling, activities and discussions |
| YEAR 1 | Model the operation and represent using symbols and numbers. $\triangle - 4 = 6$ $10 - \square = 7$ Begin to use a numberline to support subtraction |
| YEAR 2 | Record mental calculations in number sentences. $\square - 14 = 10$ $100 - \square = 70$ Use a numberline to support subtraction. |
| YEAR 3 | Decomposition. Begin to use expanded decomposition(TU-TU) Support skill development with base 10 materials $81 = 50 + 1 = 70 + 11$ $- 57 = 50 + 7 = 50 + 7$ $\quad \quad \quad 20 + 4 = 24$ Key Vocabulary – Partition, exchange |
| YEAR 4 | Decomposition. Develop expanded decomposition(HTU-TU) Support skill development with base 10 materials. Leading to a more efficient notation. $754 = 700 + 50 + 4$ $700 + 40 + 14$ $\begin{array}{r} 754 \\ - 286 \\ \hline \end{array}$ $- 286 = 200 + 80 + 6$ $\frac{40 + 6}{700 + 0 + 8 = 708}$ $\begin{array}{r} 754 \\ - 286 \\ \hline 468 \end{array}$ Key Vocabulary – Partition, exchange |
| YEAR 5 | Continue to develop expanded decomposition to HTU-HTU, leading to the efficient standard method. Extend to decimals. $754 = 700 + 50 + 4$ $- 286 = 200 + 80 + 6$ $\begin{array}{r} 700 + 40 + 14 \\ 200 + 80 + 6 \\ \hline 500 + 140 + 14 \\ 200 + 80 + 6 \\ \hline 400 + 60 + 8 = 468 \end{array}$ $\begin{array}{r} 754 \\ - 286 \\ \hline 468 \end{array}$ |

YEAR 6

Continue to develop the efficient written method and apply to large numbers, decimals and problem solving.

Calculate $6467 - 2684$

Approximate first: $6000 - 3000 = 3000$

$$\begin{array}{r} \\ 6 \\ - 2 \\ \hline 3 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \\ 13 \\ - 2 \\ \hline 9 \end{array}$$

Throughout skill development in Keystage 2 pupils should approximate first by applying ROUNDING OFF strategies.

Base 10 materials should be accessible to all pupils to support skill development.

Overview of progress in multiplication

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| RECEPTION | Children are expected to experience the concept of multiplication and its associated vocabulary through practical activities and discussions. | |
| YEAR 1 | Understand the operation of multiplication as repeated addition using a numberline | |
| YEAR 2 | <p>leading to 4 lots of 5 is 20 leading to $4 \times 5 = 20$</p> | |
| YEAR 3 | Understand multiplication as: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. repeated addition 2. an array | <p> $5 \times 3 = 15$ $3 \times 5 = 15$ $15 \div 3 = 5$ $15 \div 5 = 3$ </p> |
| YEAR 4 | 13×3 10×3 3×3 | $\begin{array}{r l} x & 10 \quad 3 \\ 3 & 30 \quad 9 \end{array} \quad 39$ |
| YEAR 5 | 72×38 is approximately $70 \times 40 = 2800$ | |
| YEAR 6 | 217×37 is approximately approximately $220 \times 40 = 8800$ | 3.24×7 is $3 \times 7 = 21$ |
| | $\begin{array}{r llll} x & 200 & 10 & 7 & \\ 30 & 6000 & 300 & 210 & 6510 \\ 7 & 1400 & 70 & 49 & 1519 \\ & & & & 8029 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r lll} x & 3 & 0.2 & 0.04 \\ 7 & 21 & 1.4 & 0.28 \end{array} \quad 22.6$ |

