How you can help with Maths at home

Working together at home and school helps children to build confidence, develop key skills and enjoy maths in everyday life.

SMALL STEPS MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE

Our approach to teaching maths

We follow **White Rose Maths**, which provides a clear and consistent approach to learning. This helps children build a deep understanding of mathematical concepts through carefully sequenced small steps.

In the early years and Key Stage 1 we also use **Mastering Number** to develop strong number sense, which underpins all future learning in maths.

What is Mastering Number?



Mastering Number is a programme used in the early years and Key Stage 1 to develop children's understanding of numbers and how they work. It helps children:

- build confidence with number facts
- understand patterns and the structure of numbers
- develop mental and written calculation skills
- support fluency and accuracy in future maths learning.

Everyday maths at home

There are many simple ways to use maths in daily life. You could:

- Count, sort and compare everyday objects.
- Look for shapes, patterns and numbers around you.
- Use maths when cooking, shopping or planning a trip.
- Talk about time, money, measures and numbers in real contexts.
- Encourage your child to explain how they are thinking.



Maths is everywhere – at home, in our community and in everyday life.

Practise times tables

- Knowing times tables helps with many areas of maths.
- Use games, songs, flashcards or apps to make practice fun.
- Encourage your child to say them out loud and in different orders.
- Regular, short practice is most effective.

TT Rockstars is a fun and effective way to practise times tables and division facts.

Play and explore

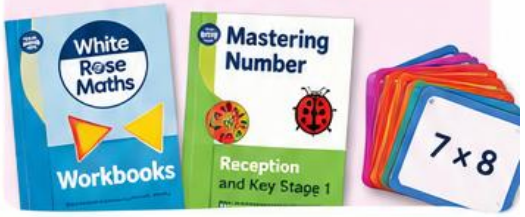
- Use number games, puzzles and apps.
- Build with Lego or blocks and talk about the numbers.
- Play board games that involve counting, adding or taking away.
- Use dice, cards or counters to make maths fun!



Useful resources

There are lots of resources available that match the approach we use at school, including:

- White Rose Maths workbooks (parent versions available online and from retailers).
- Mastering Number books (for early years and Key Stage 1).
- TT Rockstars subscription (school or home access).
- Times tables flashcards and games.
- Practical resources such as counters, number lines or hundred squares.



Most importantly...

- Keep it positive and praise effort.
- Be patient and give time to think.
- Celebrate small steps and progress.
- Show an interest in what they are learning.

"Together we can help our children build confidence and a love of maths."