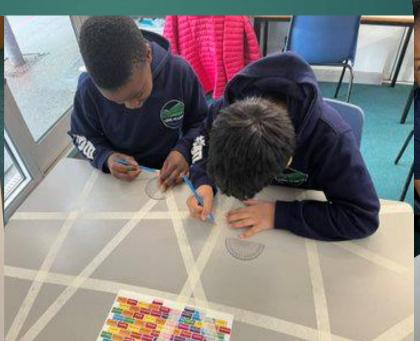


Maths at LMS







National Curriculum

The national curriculum for mathematics aims to ensure that **all** pupils:

- Fluency: ability to recall and apply knowledge quickly and accurately
- Reasoning: being able to explain their mathematical thinking
- Problem Solving: apply their knowledge to solve problems in a variety of contexts

Mastery will support this.

What is mastery in maths?

- Improves performance.
- ▶ Inspired by the teaching practices in Singapore, Hong Kong and Shanghai.
- ► These countries regularly top the rankings for maths results in the world. In 2015, the UK was in 23rd place.

What is mastery in maths?

- ▶ The belief that all children can achieve in maths.
- All pupils work together on the same content at the same time.
- Support and challenge is provided.
- Concepts are built in small, logical steps.
- Mathematical language used by everyone and having clear sentence structures to support mathematical explanations.
- Children use objects and pictures to physically represent mathematical concepts alongside numbers and symbols – Concrete Pictorial Abstract

What does it mean to master something?

- ▶ I know how to do it
- ▶ It becomes automatic I do not have to think about it
- ▶ I am really good at doing it
- ▶ I can show someone else how to do it

Children need to master concepts to make progress.

"In mathematics, you know you've mastered something when you can apply it to a totally new problem in a unfamiliar situation."

Dr. Helen Drury, Director of Mathematics Mastery.

How does mastery support children?

- ▶ Rejects the idea that 'I just can't do maths'.
- Builds confidence progress in achievement as well as attitude.
- More children should achieve the expected standard in mathematics.
- Develops a deep understanding of maths to sustain learning.
- Avoids cognitive overload in working memory and enables pupils to focus on new learning.

How are children supported and challenged?

- Scaffolding a range of techniques and strategies to support children during lessons.
- ► Same/next day intervention to help close gaps in understanding quickly.
- Challenge is not 'bigger numbers' nor acceleration to objectives in year groups above.
- ► Activities are provided that give children depth and breadth of understanding around a concept.

Concrete, Pictorial, Abstract (CPA)

Maths can be difficult because it can be quite abstract – this helps them to visualise ideas and 'see' the maths.

- CPA approach is a highly effective way of deep and sustainable understanding of maths.
- Introduces abstract concepts through concrete resources, then moving on to pictorial representations then onto abstract symbols.
- ► CPA is used from EYs to Year 6, regardless of ability



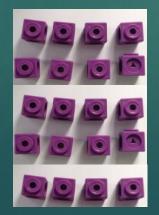
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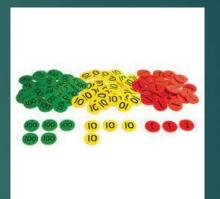
- Concrete resources allow children to use physical objects when exploring new concepts.
- ▶ They can be used in a variety of ways and they promote reasoning and discussion with the children.









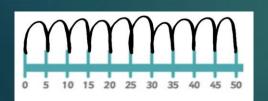


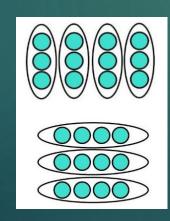


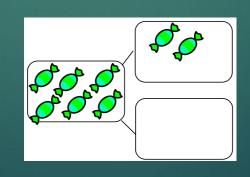
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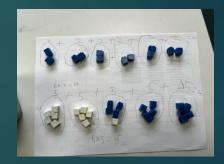
When confident with a concept, they progress to drawing pictorial representations or quick sketches of the objects.

- Drawings act as a bridge between the concrete objects and the abstract symbols
- Enables children to 'see' the maths.



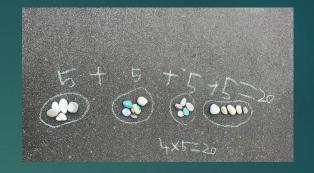






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Abstract



Once children have a secure understanding of the concept through the use of concrete resources and visual images, they are then able to move on to the abstract stage.

- Children are using abstract symbols to model problems usually numerals.
- Constantly go back and forth between each of the stages.



What can I do at home?



- Stay positive about maths!
- Help your child develop a growth mindset.
- No 'shortcuts' or how you learnt in school please.
- Speak to the class teacher/school website.
- Home Learning, Doodle, Times Table Rock Stars.
- Counting at every opportunity.
- Shopping trips and other outings talk about money, change, discounts, offers.
- ▶ Noticing shapes in surrounds generalise doesn't have to be a perfect shape.
- Everyday problem solving telling the time, weighing ingredients.



Thank you.