## Year 4 maths newsletter



## Autumn 1

Welcome back to the new school year.
This half-termwill be split into two maths topics, 'place value' and 'addition and subtraction.'

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## Number: place value

The value of each digit depending on its position within a number.


If you have any questions on how to support your child at home, please contact your child's teacher.

## Number: addition and subtraction

Children will continue to develop their understanding of addition and subtraction and develop their understanding of formal methods.

## Concrete and pictorial methods

Children will further develop their understanding of addition and subtraction
and apply it to four-digit problems.


Formal methods.
Children were introduced to the formal column method in Year 3. This year, they continue their understanding of this by using the compact method with fourdigit numbers.

Addition

|  | Th | H | T | O |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 3 | 3 | 5 | 6 |
| + | 2 | 4 | 3 | 5 |
|  | 5 | 7 | 9 | 1 |

Subtraction

|  | Th | H | T | O |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | 5 | 6 | 3 | $1_{3}$ |
| - | 4 | 3 | 1 | 6 |
|  | 1 | 3 | 2 | 7 |

Year 4 continue to develop their understanding of regrouping and exchanging.
Mental methods.
Alongside the use of formal methods, children are encouraged to continue their use of mental methods to work out calculations and to use their judgement on the appropriate strategy to use.

Calculation
6000-2382=?
Breaking the calculation
into chunks rather than

using the column method

## Vocabulary

The following vocabulary is used in the classroom to support learning. Please continue to support your child at home by using the same vocabulary.

| Place value | Addition and subtraction |
| :--- | :--- |
| hundreds, tens, ones | add, altogether, sum, total |
| numeral | subtract, takeaway, difference |
| number | column |
| sequence | regroup/ exchange |
| stands for/ represents | estimate |
| negative 1, negative 2... | inverse operation |

## Further support at home

To support your child at home, we encourage the use of the classroom vocabulary and the same methods/strategies of calculation.

When working with your child at home, you can ask them the following question starters to further demonstrate their understanding.

How do you know...
Can you estimate...
What pattern do you notice?
Can this be done in a different way?
What other strategies can we use to work out?
What does ... represent?
Can you explain what would happen if...
Which is your favourite method? Why?
How can we check our answers are correct?

## Times tables practise

Times Table Rock Stars is a fun and interactive way for your child to practise their times tables at home. By the end of Year 4, children will have been taught all their times tables up to $12 \times 12$. Please continue to practise and support your child with these at home. https://ttrockstars.com/

If you have any questions on how to support your child at home or need any log in information, please contact your child's class teacher.

