

## Early Years Curriculum

## Mathematics



## What does Mathematics look like in Early Years at Humshaugh C of E First School?

In Early Years at Humshaugh C o E First School children gain a positive and resilient attitude to mathematics. Children are taught a strong grounding in number and the vocabulary needed to articulate their mathematical thinking. They have the opportunity to learn both inside and outside of the classroom and be able to apply their skills and knowledge to a range of real life and meaningful contexts. Children are encouraged to be 'noticers' and see numbers and shapes everywhere they go and spot connections and patterns.

Mathematics is taught through stories, rhymes, playing games, exploring patterns and investigating as well as through specific teaching of skills and knowledge.

Our 2 year old Nursery children have the opportunity to explore resources and be introduced to mathematical language and ideas. Number rhymes, counting, building, matching and sorting are all part of their daily experiences. Numbers are displayed and adults model the skills and language required. The children are encouraged to indicate numbers up to 5 with their fingers during number rhymes and in everyday situations. They also complete inset jigsaw puzzles, compare sizes (big and small) and weights (heavy and light) and investigate simple patterns. Our daily songs, stories and routines help them to develop and extend our mathematical vocabulary and knowledge.

Our 3-4 year old Nursery children continue to focus on numbers to 5, recognising the numerals, counting and recognising amounts so that they gain a secure knowledge of these numbers. Some of our children also develop further to recognise, count and recognise amounts the numbers 6-10 including showing them with their fingers, as a result of following their own fascination for numbers. They begin to make symbols and marks to record their maths. They solve problems, compare quantities, talk about and play with 2D and 3D shapes. They also learn to understand positional language and make comparisons with size, length, weight and capacity. They talk about and make patterns and learn to describe a sequence of events. The children complete simple jigsaw puzzles, playing lots of number games, singing number rhymes and listening to and joining in with stories with a mathematical focus as well as using mathematical vocabulary during our daily routines.

In Reception, as part of our Mathematics teaching we follow the White Rose Maths Scheme which helps the children to 'dig deeper' with their thinking. They continue to develop their key skills with numbers to ten, learning to subitize (the ability to know how many just by looking at the pattern of the objects without counting them individually) and count beyond ten: comparing numbers and amounts and understanding one more and one less. The children find out about the composition of numbers and discover number bonds for numbers 1-10 through problem solving and practical activities. The children learn different ways to record their own ideas. They have opportunities to explore 2D and 3D shapes to see how they can be composed and decomposed and to help develop their spatial reasoning skills. The children create their own repeating patterns and compare weight, length and capacity. They learn how to explain their reasoning and investigate different possibilities as well as how to solve problems. Jigsaw puzzles, number games, number rhymes and stories continue to be a strong focus throughout Reception, as well as daily routines and the links to number and shape space and measures in all areas of the curriculum.

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|  | Balancing shapes. <br> Fitting shapes into a shape sorter. <br> Filling/Emptying different containers. <br> Investigating objects which are different shape, size and weight- same and different <br> Noticing patterns <br> Completes inset jigsaw puzzles independently (at least 5 pieces) <br> Begins to completing floor jigsaws with support | Knows how to match and sort circles, triangles and squares <br> Know that some things are heavy and some are light, some are big and some are small, some are tall or high, heavy or light. <br> Knowing routines <br> Recognise patterns such as stripes/ dots. <br> Know that you match shapes but might need to turn around or jiggle a piece to get it in an inset puzzle <br> Know that you may have turn a piece around or use trial and error to attach a jigsaw piece. | circle, square, triangle, round, pointy, shape <br> full, empty <br> big, small, heavy, light, tall or high pattern stripes, dots puzzle <br> jigsaw | Shape sorter, inset boards, shape lottos Sand and water toys <br> Printing in creative area Elmer <br> Inset puzzles <br> Floor Jigsaw puzzles. |
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| Nursery 3-4 yrs | NUMBER <br> Subitize 3 things-pictures/ objects <br> Touch counting to 5 <br> Count small collections of things and other things like jumps. <br> Selecting 2, 3 or 4 things when asked from a larger group. <br> Counting back from 5 <br> Rote counting to 10 <br> Show numbers to 5 on fingers. <br> Experiment with marks to represent amounts (using | Recognise small amounts without counting <br> Know how to touch/ move objects to count them. <br> Know that the last number you count identifies the number in the set (cardinal principle) <br> Know when to stop counting. <br> Know some number rhymes. <br> Know the number names to 10. <br> Know that numbers can be represented in different ways. | How many? count <br> same /different/ nearly the same <br> 54321 <br> 12345678910 <br> dice, fingers, numbers, Numicon s | Loose parts play Objects to count <br> Song and rhymes words and objects e.g 5 little ducks, 5 little speckled frogs <br> Numbers 1-5 Lottos <br> Six Dinner Sid |

numerals/ tallies and their own symbols)
Match numerals to amounts up to 5
Identify numbers in the environment.
Learn how to play simple number games.

## PROBLEM SOLVING

Respond verbally to questions that involve simple mathematical language.

Solve simple mathematical problems.

Compare amounts in sets.

Sequence up to 3 simple pictures for either routines or stories.

Sort objects into sets by 2 different criteria.

Understand and use positional language effectively

Make small same size sets of dissimilar items (up to 5 in a set) e.g. find 4 bears to go with 4 chairs.

Count different things e.g. steps, hops, claps.

Share up to 4 objects between 2 people fairly.

SHAPE

Begin to recognise numbers
Know that numbers are everywhere.

Know how to count along a track

Know and understand the key vocabulary to respond in simple problem solving activities.

Know what order things happen-sequencing events

Identify objects that are the same, different.

Know key positional language.

Know what a set means (a group of things match by at least one criterion)

Understand that you can count movements or sounds as well as things

Know that you can share by going 'one for you, one for me 'etc.

## The Hungry Caterpillar Ten Seeds

Number blocks, Counting with Rodd
Dice
Dominoes
Skittles
Spinners
How many altogether/left?
more than
fewer than, left, same, none, share

First, after, before, then, next

On, on top, off, in, out, under, over, next to, behind, in front, inside, outside,

Hop, step, clap, tap
share, fair, the same,

Number tracks Big Numicon shapes Numicon

5 Frames Dot plates
Objects to count and sort

Number tiles

Sequencing pictures
sorting hoops

Useful websites-Top
Marks for counting
games. NCETM
NRich Maths
Early Years Educator, Teach Early Years.com

Clapping games
Musical instruments

Use construction materials for building.
Explore shapes and select appropriate shapes for a purpose.

Identifying shapes in the environment
Can identify a shape from a description of its properties

Learn how to complete 6/8 piece jigsaws

## MEASURE

Talk about and compare objects according to size, length, weight and capacity.

Talk about how objects are the same and different.

Be aware of the days of the week and understand that different things happen on different days.

## PATTERN

Be able to identify patterns.
Copy and continue an AB pattern.

Know how construction joins together.

Know the names of some 2and 3D shapes and describe them.

Know and use key vocabulary accurately for the task of comparison.

Know some different strategies to complete jigsaws e.g. matching colours, shapes or the picture, using trial and error to find where a piece goes, a piece turning round so it fits etc

Know that objects can be sorted according to different criteria.

Begin to know some of the days of the week Sequencing events

Recognise pattern and understand the language of pattern

Know the same object is repeated again and again
bricks, clocks, cubes, build, fix
circle, triangle, square, rectangle
cube, cone
straight, flat, round, corner, side, curved, point
long longer longest tall, taller, tallest short, shorter, shortest medium sized, heavy/light, full/empty -half full

Morning, afternoon, night time ,yesterday tomorrow

Repeat, same, match

Boogie mites

Construction resources

2 and 3D shapes
jigsaws

Egg timers

2D and 3D shapes

Class 1 Visual timetable with the day of the week at the top and that day's activities sequenced below
peg boards, pattern
cards
Threading, printing.
Loose parts e.g. shells,
sticks, leaves etc




## Mathematics ELGs

## Number ELG:

Children at the expected level of development will: -

- Have a deep understanding of number to 10 , including the composition of each number;
- Subitize (recognise quantities without counting) up to 5;
- Automatically recall (without reference to rhymes, counting or other aids) number bonds up to 5 (including subtraction facts) and some number bonds to 10 , including double facts.


## Numerical Patterns ELG

Children at the expected level of development will:

- Verbally count beyond 20 , recognising the pattern of the counting system;
- Compare quantities up to 10 in different contexts, recognising when one quantity is greater than, less than or the same as the other quantity;
- Explore and represent patterns within numbers up to 10 , including evens and odds, double facts and how quantities can be distributed equally.

