

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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Year group	Skills	Knowledge	Vocabulary	Resources, activities Books
2 Year Old	NUMBER			DOOKS
Nursery children	Matching objects that are the same.	Colour, size and shape recognition	match, the same	Song/ rhyme number bags
	Being able to sort objects by one criteria	Understand big and little, colour names and some shape names.	sort	
	Subitizing 1 and 2 things	"I can see 1 and I can see another 1"	How many?	Loose parts
	Selecting 1 or 2 items when asked	(subitizing)	count, one, two, three,	
	Counting 1,2 or 3 objects.	Know some number names	lots, more, less, all gone	
	Recognising the numerals 1,2 and 3	Sequence of numbers 1,2,3	number	
	Showing 1, 2 and 3 with fingers		show me, fingers	
	Use numbers beyond 3 with the intention of counting objects (but not always in the right order or missing some.)		four, five	
	Recite numbers to 5 Joining in with number rhymes up to 5	Know some finger rhymes and number rhymes		
	Mark making		share	Trim Trail, big bricks etc
	Begin to share out objects to others e.g. at snack (not necessarily equally).	Knows that sharing objects or food means giving some to everyone in the group		outdoors. Blocks, boxes and shapes Building towers
	SHAPE SPACE AND MEASURES Building with blocks and boxes.			Construction with different resources
	Follow simple instructions containing position words 'in', 'on' and 'under'	Know what basic positional vocabulary e.g. 'in', 'on' and 'under' means in different contexts.	on, off, on top, in, out, over, under, up, down	Hiding games, obstacle courses, Tidy up Time

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

numerals/ tallies and their own symbols)			The Hungry Caterpillar
			Ten Seeds
Match numerals to amounts up to 5	Begin to recognise numbers.		
	Know that numbers are everywhere.		Number blocks, Counting
Identify numbers in the environment.			with Rodd
	Know how to count along a track		Dice
Learn how to play simple number games.			Dominoes
			Skittles
			Spinners
PROBLEM SOLVING		How many	Number tracks
Respond verbally to questions that involve simple		altogether/left?	Big Numicon shapes
mathematical language.	Know and understand the key vocabulary to		Numicon
	respond in simple problem solving activities.		
Solve simple mathematical problems.		more than	5 Frames
		fewer than, left, same,	Dot plates
Compare amounts in sets.		none, share	Objects to count and
			sort
Sequence up to 3 simple pictures for either routines			
or stories.	Know what order things happen -sequencing	First, after, before, then,	Number tiles
	events	next	
Sort objects into sets by 2 different criteria.			Sequencing pictures
	Identify objects that are the same, different.		
		On, on top, off, in, out,	sorting hoops
Understand and use positional language effectively.		under, over, next to,	
	Know key positional language.	behind, in front, inside,	Useful websites-Top
		outside,	Marks for counting
			games. NCETM
Make small same size sets of dissimilar items (up to 5			NRich Maths
in a set) e.g. find 4 bears to go with 4 chairs.	Know what a set means (a group of things		Early Years Educator,
	match by at least one criterion)		Teach Early Years.com
Count different things e.g. steps, hops, claps.			
	Understand that you can count movements or		
	sounds as well as things	Hop, step, clap, tap	
Share up to 4 objects between 2 people fairly.			
	Know that you can share by going 'one for you,	share, fair, the same,	Clapping games
SHAPE	one for me 'etc.		Musical instruments

Use construction materials for building.		bricks, clocks, cubes,	Boogie mites
	Know how construction joins together.	build, fix	
Explore shapes and select appropriate shapes for a			Construction resources
purpose.		circle, triangle, square,	construction resources
Identifying shapes in the environment		rectangle	
······································	Know the names of some 2and 3D shapes and	cube, cone.	2 and 3D shapes
Can identify a shape from a description of its	describe them.		
properties		straight, flat, round,	
	Know and use key vocabulary accurately for	corner, side, curved,	
	the task of comparison.	point	
	Know some different strategies to complete		
Learn how to complete 6/8 piece jigsaws	jigsaws e.g. matching colours, shapes or the		
	picture, using trial and error to find where a		jigsaws
MEASURE	piece goes, a piece turning round so it fits etc	long longer longest	, 0
Talk about and compare objects according to size,		tall, taller, tallest	
length, weight and capacity.	Know that objects can be sorted according to	short, shorter, shortest	
	different criteria.	medium sized,	Egg timers
Talk about how objects are the same and different.		heavy/light, full/empty	
Be aware of the days of the week and understand	Begin to know some of the days of the week Sequencing events	-half full	2D and 3D shapes
that different things happen on different days.	Sequencing events	Morning, afternoon,	2D and 3D shapes
that anterent things happen on anterent days.		night time ,yesterday	
		tomorrow	Class 1 Visual timetable
PATTERN			with the day of the week
Be able to identify patterns.			at the top and that day's
Copy and continue an AB pattern.		Repeat, same, match	activities sequenced
	Recognise pattern and understand the		below
	language of pattern		nog boards, pattorn
	Know the same object is repeated again and		peg boards, pattern cards
	again		Threading, printing.
			Loose parts e.g. shells,
			sticks, leaves etc

Reception	NUMBER			
	Sorting sets in different ways- what's my rule? Odd		Same and not the same	Loose parts for sorting.
	one out	Know that you don't always have to count- recognising small amounts of things	e.g red and not red.	
	Subitisingupto 6			Counting and number
		Know that if you group objects, you can work		songs
	Conceptual subitisinge.g 3 and 1 is 4	out how many there are.	How many?	e.g 10 little men in a
				flying saucer
	Find up to 10 objects accurately from a larger group	Know that numbers are made up of other		10 Green Bottles
	Partitioning and number composition of numbers to	numbers.		10 in the bed
	ten.	Know the cardinal counting principal- (last		5 currant buns
		number in the set)	Part part whole	
	Find different ways of making and representing a number.		sharing	
	Match objects , actions and sounds to a numeral			Numicon
		Know that numbers can be represented in		cubes
	Compare numbers and amounts- which is bigger/	different ways.		
	smaller			Number jigsaws
		Understand one more than and one less than.	more than, fewer	Hopscotch
	Count forwards and backwards to 10 and beyond			skittles
				Ten Seeds
	Combine 2 groups to find a total	know the order of numerals 1-10 and 10-1		Ten Black Dots
				Count to ten and back
	Play dice and spinner games	Be able to count verbally to 20 and beyond	Add, take away	Again
		Know and be able to use the + - = symbols and	Same/ different/	Dot cards
	Write and order numbers to 10.	write/say a number sentence	nearly the same.	Numeral cards
		To be able to automatically recall number facts		Tens frame
	To be able to match pairs and count in 2's.	to 10.		Number tracks
		Know how to form the numerals 1-10	More than, less than,	100 squares
	To be able to find and identify doubles.		fewer, equal to	Visual displays of
		To understand and identify odd and even	Odd, even	number bonds
	To be able to share equally	numbers		MMS number formation
				White Rose Maths
	PROBLEM SOLVING	To understand and know doubles to 10.	Doubles/ same	Resources
	Record maths in their own ways			

	To be able to talk about sharing fairly.	Share	Dot to dots
Explain why something is the odd one out			Board games
			Dominoes
Find the missing number in a sequence.		Tally	
	Use stem sentences to explain knowledge and	Repetition of previous	
Estimate how many	thinking e.g "I know it's a because its"	vocab taught.	Games/ resources:
			Snakes and Ladders
SHAPE			Dominoes
Develop spatial reasoning skills by playing with	Understand the difference between estimating		Dice
shapes and construction	and counting.	Estimate, count	Lycra/parachute Numbered cars
Compose and decompose 2 and 3D shapes		Shape names-	Beanbags
		triangle, square, circle,	Skittles
	Be able to identify shapes by name and know	rectangle, sphere, cube,	
	some of their properties	cuboid, cone, pyramid	
		sides faces corners	Jigsaws
			Magnetico (to build 3D
			structures and shapes)
		Comparative language-	Egg timers, Ipad Timer
		heavier than, lighter	Арр
MEASURE		than, longer than, taller	Height chart
Compare length, weight ,size, capacity and time		than, shorter than.	Tape measures
		Heaviest, lightest,	Money (to be used in
		longest, shortest,	play)
		quicker, slower, full,	Calendar
		empty, nearly full,	Balance scales,
		nearly empty, half full	Rulers
			Measuring jugs
		On, on top, off, in, out,	Baking, making
			Banna, manna

Understand and use a wide range of positional		under, high, low, next	playdough
language	Know how to relate themselves to objects or	to, behind, in front,	
	two objects to each other in a wide range of	inside, outside, around,	The Enormous Turnip
	positions	in between, through, ,	The Secrets of Winter
		above, below	The Growing story
			Once There were Giants
		Spring, Summer,	Who sank the boat?
		Autumn, Winter,	Rosie's walk
Understand and order the seasons		morning, afternoon,	
	Know the order of the 4 seasons.	evening, night, bed	Sunflower House
Sequence a day using time vocabulary		time, now, next, after,	The Hungry Caterpillar
		later, soon	
Say the days of the week			Sequencing pictures
	Know the days of the week and the seasons of	Days of the week	Jasper's Beanstalk
	the year in the right order		Class 1 Visual timetable
PATTERN			with the day of the week
Copy and continue an AB and AABB and ABBA			at the top and that day's
patterns.	Know that a pattern can be made with actions		activities sequenced
	sounds or objects		below
Create own patterns, noticing and correcting errors			
and describing the pattern rule	Know that there are patterns in numbers.		
			Loose parts- natural and
	Understand and identify when there is an		found materials
Notice and identify patterns in the environment and	error in the pattern.		Compare Bears
in numbers.			Musical instruments
	Know that patterns can be found everywhere		
	in nature and man-made things.		

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.