

Number Knowledge Progression

Below are the objectives that we need to be focusing on in Number Knowledge sessions. As you can see, they are predominantly linked to Number (counting) and Multiplication and Division (multiplication tables and elated division facts). Although these are split into year groups, they are flexible and you need to be planning according to the children's needs. The progression map should give you an overview as to where the children have come from and their next steps.

	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Counting	 Count from 0 in multiples of 4, 8, 50 and 100. Find 10 or 100 more or less than a given number. 	 Count in multiples of 6, 7, 9, 25 and 1000. Count backwards through zero to include negative numbers. 	- Count forwards or backwards in steps of powers of 10 for any given number up to 1000. - Interpret negative numbers in context, count forwards and backwards with positive and negative whole numbers, including through zero.	- Use negative numbers in context, and calculate intervals across zero.
Multiplication and Division	- Recap 2, 5 and 10 - Recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 3, 4 and 8 multiplication tables.	 Recap 3, 4 and 8 Recall multiplication and division facts for multiplication tables up to 12x12 (new learning: 6, 7, 9, 11 and 12). 	- Multiply and divide numbers mentally drawing upon known facts	- Perform mental calculations, including with operations and large numbers
Properties of Numbers		- Recognise and use factor pairs and commutativity in mental calculations.	 Identify multiples and factors, including finding all factor pairs of a number, and common factors of two numbers. Know and use the vocabulary of prime numbers, prime factors and composite (non- prime) numbers. Establish whether a number up to 100 is prime and recall prime numbers up to 19. Recognise and use square numbers and cube numbers, and the notation for these. 	 Identify common factors, common multiples and prime numbers. Use common factors to simplify fractions; use common multiples to express fractions in the same denominator. Calculate, estimate and compare volume of cubes and cuboids using standard units, including cm cubed and cubic metres, and extending to other units such as mm and km.

Year 3 – Small steps

Count from 0 in	Identify whether numbers are multiples of 10 by understanding that multiples of 10 have no ones – use of dienes to support visual learners
50 and 100.	Count forwards and backwards in multiples of 10 starting from 0
	Find 10 more or less than any given number (up to 4-digit numbers).
Find 10 or 100	Count forwards and backward in 10 starting from any number – make it clear that
more or less than	these are not multiples of 10.
a given number.	Identify missing numbers in sequences of 10s.
	Identify whether numbers are multiples of 100 by understanding that multiples of
	100 have no tens or ones – use of dienes to support visual learners.
	Count forwards and backwards in multiples of 100 starting from 0.
	Count forwards and backward in 100 starting from any number – make it clear that
	these are not multiples of 100.
	Find 100 more or less than any given number (up to 4-digit numbers).
	Identify missing numbers in sequences of 100s.
	Understand that 50 is half of 100 and double 50 is 100 and see this in different
	representations (e.g. hundred square, dienes, half 10 is 5 so half 100 is 5).
	Looking for patterns when counting in multiples of 50 from 0 by understanding what
	numbers must be in the tens and ones column and why – use of dienes to illustrate
	Identifying whether numbers are multiples of 50.
	Count forwards and backwards in multiples of 50 starting from 0.
	Identify missing numbers in sequences of 50 (up to 4-digit numbers).

Year 4 – Small steps

Count in multiples	Identify whether numbers are multiples of 1000 by understanding that multiples of
of 6, 7, 9, 25 and	1000 have no hundreds, tens and ones.
1000	Count forwards and backwards in multiples of 1000 starting from 0.
	Count forwards and backward in 1000 starting from any number – make it clear that
	these are not multiples of 1000.
	Identify missing numbers in sequences of 1000s.
	Looking for patterns when counting in multiples of 25 from 0 by understanding what
	numbers must be in the tens and ones column and why – use of dienes to illustrate
	Identifying whether numbers are multiples of 25.
	Count forwards and backwards in multiples of 25 starting from 0.
	Identify missing numbers in sequences of 25 (up to 4-digit numbers).
Count backwards	Count forwards and backwards from 20 to -20.
through 0 to	
include negative	Show an understanding of 'greater than' and 'less than' with numbers from 20 to -
numbers	20.
Recognise and	Understand that a factor means a number can be split into equal groups e.g. 5 is a
use factor pairs	factor of 15 therefore I can make groups of 5 with nothing left over.
and	Understand that factors go in pairs e.g. 5 and 3 are a factor pair of 15 because I
commutativity in	have 3 groups of 5 – this can be illustrated with manipulatives.
mental	Find factor pairs of a given number.
calculations.	Reason with factor pairs e.g. bigger numbers have more factors
	Understand that multiplication can be done in any order (commutativity).
	Multiply 3 numbers by deciding which numbers to multiply first e.g. $4 \times 2 \times 3 = 12 \times 2 = 24$

Year 5 – Small steps

Count forwards or backwards in	Understand how many tens are in a number up to 5 digits e.g. 3450 has 345 tens – link to dienes e.g. how many of the tens sticks would I need to make 3450?
steps of powers of 10 for any	Mentally add and subtract powers of 10 to any number up to 1000 e.g. $3450 + 70$ which is the same as 345 tens + 7 tens (make links to add $5 + 2$)
given number up to 1000	Count forwards or backwards in steps of powers of 10 from a multiple of 10.
	1000.
Interpret negative	Count forwards and backwards from 50 to -50 in different amounts e.g. counting in
numbers in	5s.
context, count forwards and	Order numbers from 50 to -50.
backwards with positive and	Compare numbers from 50 to -50.
negative whole numbers,	Use number lines to find missing numbers between 50 and -50.
including through zero.	Begin to calculate the difference between a positive and negative number with number lines to support (may need to make a jump to 0 first).
Multiply and divide numbers	Find factor pairs of a given number.
upon known facts.	Use Venn diagrams to compare numbers according to their factors (e.g. factors of 20 vs factors of 24).
Identify multiples	Multiply 3 numbers by deciding which numbers to multiply first e.g. $4 \times 2 \times 3 = 12 \times 2 = 24$
including finding all factor pairs of	Use knowledge of factors to multiply a 2-digit number by a 1-digit number mentally e.g. $16 \times 3 = 8 \times 2 \times 3 = 24 \times 2 = 48$.
a number, and common factors of two numbers.	Use knowledge of factors to divide a 2 and 3-digit numbers by a 1-digit number mentally e.g. $126 \div 6$ is the same as $126 \div 2 = 63 \div 3 = 21$
Know and use the vocabulary of prime numbers,	Understand that prime numbers are numbers that have no factors apart from 1 and itself.
prime factors and composite (non- prime) numbers.	Use manipulatives to prove whether a number is prime or composite.
Establish whether a number up to	Sort numbers into prime and composite.
recall prime numbers up to 19.	Recall the first 19 prime numbers (using resources to support where needed).
Recognise and use square numbers and	Understand what is meant by a square number by drawing them (e.g. 4 squares x 4 squares to prove that it is 16) and use the correct notation.
and the notation for these.	Understand what is meant by a cube number and use the correct notation.

Year 6 – Small steps

Use negative	Calculate the difference between a positive and negative number
numbers in	Answer addition and subtraction calculations involving negative numbers (e.g5 +
context, and	2 = -3)
calculate intervals	Solve reasoning problems involving negative numbers (including temperature)
across zero	
Perform mental	Mentally multiply and divide multiples of 10, 100 and 1000 using known number
calculations,	facts (e.g. 480 ÷ 6 = 80)
including with	Use known facts to solve related facts e.g. if I know 17 x 7 = 119 then I know 170 x
operations and	0.07 = 11.9
large numbers	Mentally multiply a 2-digit number (including decimals) by a 1-digit number using
	jottings
	Use rounding to check the answer to a multiplication calculation
Identify common	Find prime factors of a number by creating prime factor trees and explain the
factors, common	importance of prime factors (multiply to make the number)
multiples and	Identify common factors of at least two given numbers and say what the highest
prime numbers	common factor and lowest common factor is
	Find common multiples of 2 or more numbers including finding the lowest common
	multiple
	Reason and investigate using prime numbers e.g. why are all prime numbers odd?