Supporting your child at home

Writing

Write recognisable letters, most of which are correctly formed.

Spell words by identifying sounds in them and representing the sounds with a letter or letters.

Write simple phrases and sentences that can be read by others.

- Letter formation, making sure letters are facing the right way.
- Using sounds to write words, i.e str (Star) they may not have learned the ar sound yet, encourage the children to read back to you what they have written.
- Practise simple sentence writing 'It is a....' I can see a' cat on the mat'. Use objects around the home to promote a sentence.

Word Reading

Say a sound for each letter in the alphabet and at least 10 digraphs.

Read words consistent with their phonic knowledge by sound-blending.

Read aloud simple sentences and books that are consistent with their phonic knowledge, including some common exception words.

- Continue to practise using phonics books to promote reading at home.
- Spot tricky words in your own stories to help the children spot these in other stories.
- Ensure your child is using their sounds if they are stuck on a word, get them to sound out each letter and help them to blend the word together if they are stuck.

Number

Have a deep understanding of number to 10, including the composition of each number.

Subitise (recognise quantities without counting) up to 5.

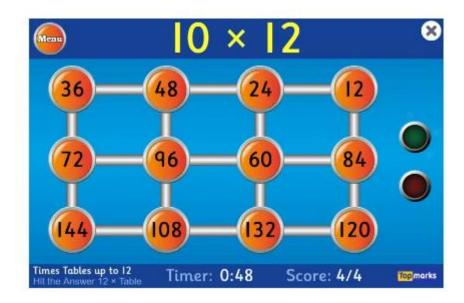
Automatically recall (without reference to rhymes, counting or other aids) number bonds up to 5 (including subtraction facts) and some number bonds to 10, including double facts.

- Practise different ways of making the number 5, you can use toys or anything around the house. Encourage them to notice 5+0= 5, 1+4= 5, 3+2= 5, 2+5= 5 ect. Include the same for number bonds to 10 to help them recall the composition. 10+0=10 5+5=10 ect.
- Encourage your child to count beyond 20, getting them to see the pattern and how the numbers repeat themselves.

Useful websites

Hit the Button - Quick fire maths practise for 6-11 year olds (topmarks.co.uk) -

topmarks is a fantastic website with lots of excellent games on for children of varying ages. We use hit the button to help the children practice their number bonds in class.



<u>PhonicsPlay - Resources</u> – phonicsplay is great for encouraging children to blend and distinguish between real and fake words. You can create a free account and access the most popular games using it.

