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## Calculations Policy 2021/2022

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## Introduction

At St. John's, we use the White Rose Maths Hub as the basis for our planning and progression to ensure that all children become confident in mathematical fluency, reasoning and problem solving. In all of our maths work, we use the Concrete-Pictorial-Abstract approach to ensure that children understand the principles of mathematics before applying these skills to reasoning and problem solving activities.

## When children leave St. John's they will:

- Have a secure knowledge of number facts and a good understanding of the four calculation operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division).
- Make use of jottings, diagrams and informal notes to help record steps and part answers when using mental methods that generate more information than can be kept in their heads.
- Have an efficient, reliable, written method of calculation for each operation, which they are able to apply with confidence when they are unable to perform a calculation mentally.


## What is this policy for?

This policy demonstrates how we teach different forms of calculation at St John's. It ensures that teachers and staff members teach calculations consistently across the school and to aid them in helping children who may need extra support or challenges. This policy is also designed to help parents, carers and other family members to support children's learning by providing an explanation of the methods used in our school.

## How do I use this policy?

The policy is organised into four sections: Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication and Division. Each section is progressive, meaning that it begins with basic calculations before moving onto more the more complex. For each objective, examples of concrete, pictorial and abstract strategies for working out are provided.
Definitions for concrete, pictorial abstract are below:

Concrete: Actual objects and manipulatives that the children can hold and move around to work out the answer. These may include cubes, beads, counters and cards, as well as everyday objects such as pencils, shells, pinecones and coins.

Pictorial: Picture representations of concrete objects and other diagrams that help with calculations such as part-part whole models, bar models and tens frames.

Abstract: Numerical representations of number and the symbol representations of operations.

## Addition



|  | $\sqrt{47}$ <br> 10 <br> Use cubes to add two numbers together as a group or in a bar. |  | $\begin{aligned} & 4+3=7 \\ & 10=6+4 \end{aligned}$ <br> Use the part-part whole diagram as shown above to move into the abstract. |
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|  | $\square$ <br> Start with the larger number on the bead string and then count on to the smaller number to find the answer. | $12+5=17$ <br> Start at the larger number on the number line and count on in ones or in one jump to find the answer. | $5+12=17$ <br> Place the larger number in your head and count on the smaller number to find your answer. |
|  | $6+5=11$ <br> Start with the bigger number and use the smaller number to make 10. | Use pictures or a number line. Regroup or partition the smaller number to make 10. $3+9=$ | $7+4=11$ <br> If I am at seven, how many more do I need to make 10 ? How many more do I add on now? |


|  | $4+7+6=17$ <br> Put 4 and 6 together to make 10. Add on 7. <br> Following on from making 10 , make 10 with two of the digits (if possible) then add on the third digit. | Add together three groups of objects. Draw a picture to recombine the groups to make 10. | $\begin{aligned} \frac{4+7+6}{10} & =10+7 \\ & =17 \end{aligned}$ <br> Combine the two numbers that make 10 and then add on the remainder. |
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|  | $24+15=$ <br> Add together the ones first then add the tens. Use the Base 10 blocks first before moving onto place value counters. | After practically using the base 10 blocks and place value counters, children can draw the counters to help them to solve additions. | Calculations $\begin{array}{r} 21+42= \\ 21 \\ +42 \end{array}$ |
|  | Make both numbers on a place value grid. <br> Add up the units and exchange 10 ones for one 10. <br> Add up the rest of the columns, exchanging the ten counters from one column for the next place value column until every column has been added. This can also be done with Base 10 to help children clearly see that 10 ones equal 1 ten and 10 tens equal 100. As children move on to decimals, money and decimal place value counters can be used to support learning. | Children can draw a pictorial representation of the columns and place value counters to further support their learning and understanding. | Start by partitioning the numbers before moving on to show the exchange below the addition. <br> As the children move on, introduce decimals. Money can be used here. <br> 11 |

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## Subtraction



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|  | Concrete | Pictorial | Abstract |
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|  | Use physical objects to show how objects can be taken away. | Cross out drawn objects to show what has been taken away. $15-3=12$ | $\begin{aligned} & 18-3=15 \\ & 8-2=6 \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Make the larger number in your subtraction. Move the beads along your bead string as you count backwards in ones. $13-4$ <br> Use counters and move them away from the group as you take them away, counting backwards as you go. | Count back on a number line or number track <br> Start at the bigger number and count back the smaller number showing the jumps on the number line. <br> This can progress all the way to counting back using two 2digit numbers. | Put 13 in your head, count back 4. What number are you at? Use your fingers to help. |
|  | Compare amounts and objects to find the difference. <br> Use cubes to build towers or make bars to find the difference. <br> Use basic bar models with items to find the difference. | Count on to find the difference. <br> Comparison Bar Models <br> Lisa is 13 years old. Her sister is 22 years old <br> Find the difference in age between them. <br> Draw bars to find the difference between 2 numbers. | Hannah has 23 sandwiches and Helen has 15 sandwiches. Find the difference between the numbers of sandwiches. |


|  | Link to addition: Use the part whole model to help explain the inverse between addition and subtraction. <br> If 10 is the whole and 6 is one of the parts. What is the other part? $10-6=$ | Use a pictorial representation of objects to show the part, part whole model. | 5 <br> 10 <br> Move to using numbers within the part whole model. |
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|  | $14-9=$ <br> Make 14 on the tens frame. Take away the four first to make 10 and then take away one more so you have taken away 5. You are left with the answer of 9. | Start at 13. Take away 3 to reach 10 then take away the remaining 4 so you have taken away 7 altogether. You have reached your answer. | $16-8=$ <br> How many do we take off to reach the next 10? <br> How many do we have left to take off? |
|  | Use Base 10 to make the bigger number then take the smaller number away. <br> Show how you partition numbers to subtract. Put the larger number first. |  <br> Draw the Base 10 or place value counters alongside the written calculation to help to show working. | $\begin{gathered} 47-24=23 \\ -20+7 \\ -20+4 \\ \hline 20+3 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ <br> This will lead to a clear written column subtraction. |

Use Base 10 to start with before moving on to place value counters. Start with one exchange before moving onto subtractions with 2 exchanges.

Make the larger number with the place value counters

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Start with the ones, can I take away 8 from 4 easily? I need to exchange one of my tens for ten ones.


Now look at the tens, can I take away 8 tens easily? I need to exchange one hundred for ten tens.


Now I can take away eight tens and complete my subtraction.


Show children how the concrete method links to the written method alongside your working. Cross out the numbers when exchanging and show where we write our new amount.


Draw the counters onto a place value grid and show what you have taken away by crossing the counters out as well as clearly showing the exchanges you make.


When confident, children can find their own way to record the exchange/regrouping.

Just writing the numbers as shown here shows that the child understands the method and knows when to exchange/regroup.


Children can start their forma written method by partitioning the number into clear place value columns.

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7-28-582=146
    6%7
    5 8 2
    14%
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Moving forward, the children use a more compact method.

This will lead to an understanding of subtracting any number including decimals.

|  | 5 | 12 |  | 1 |
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| 2 | 6 | 3 | . | 0 |
| - | 2 | 6 | . | 5 |
| 2 | 3 | 6 | . | 5 |

## Multiplication



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## Division



| Sharing objects into groups | I have 10 cubes; can you share them equally in 2 groups? | Children use pictures or shapes to share quantities. <br> $8 \div 2=4$ | Share 9 buns between three people. $9 \div 3=3$ |
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|  | Divide quantities into equal groups. Use cubes, counters, objects or place value counters to aid understanding. <br> $96 \div 3=32$ | Use a number line to show jumps in groups. The number of jumps equals the number of groups. <br> Think of the bar as a whole. Split it into the number of groups you are dividing by and work out how many would be within each group. | $28 \div 7=4$ <br> Divide 28 into 7 groups. How many are in each group? |
|  | Link division to multiplication by creating an array and thinking about the number sentences that can be created. $\begin{array}{ll} 15 \div 3=5 & 5 \times 3=15 \\ 15 \div 5=3 & 3 \times 5=15 \end{array}$ | Draw an array and use lines to split the array into groups to make multiplication and division sentences. | Find the inverse of multiplication and division sentences by creating four linking number sentences. $\begin{aligned} & 7 \times 4=28 \\ & 4 \times 7=28 \\ & 28 \div 7=4 \\ & 28 \div 4=7 \end{aligned}$ |


|  | $14 \div 3=$ <br> Divide objects between groups and see how much is left over. | Jump forward in equal jumps on a number line then see how many more you need to jump to find a remainder. $13 \div 4=$ <br> Draw dots and group them to divide an amount and clearly show a remainder. $14 \div 3=$ | Complete written divisions and show the remainder using r. |
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|  | Use place value counters to divide using the bus stop method alongside | Students can continue to use drawn diagrams with dots or circles to help them divide numbers into equal groups. <br> Encourage them to move towards counting in multiples to divide more efficiently. | Begin with divisions that divide equally with no remainder. <br> Move onto divisions with a remainder. |
|  | $42 \div 3=$ <br> Start with the biggest place value, we are sharing 40 into three groups. We can put 1 ten in each group and we have 1 ten left over. <br> We exchange this ten for ten ones and then share the ones equally among the groups. <br> We look how much in 1 group so the answer is 14. |  | Finally move into decimal places to divide the total accurately. |

