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"GROWING HEARTS AND MINDS TOGETHER"

15th September 2025

Dear Parents

For the last four years, Reception and Key Stage 1 have been following a new number programme in maths called Mastering Number written by the NCETM (National Centre for the Excellence in Mathematics).

This is the fifth year of the programme and we are seeing some very positive results with children's confidence in maths, number sense and recall of addition and subtraction facts. The programme aims to secure firm foundations in the development of good number sense for all children from Reception through to Year 1 and Year 2. The aim over time is that children will leave KS1 with fluency in calculation and a confidence and flexibility with number. Attention will be given to key knowledge and understanding needed in Reception classes, and progression through KS1 to support success in the future.

To complement this, we will be running the **Mastering Number at Home programme**. This is where we need you! You are invited to join your child for a one-off 45 minute to 1 hour workshop in school where you will be working alongside your child to make and explore different maths activities to support the work we are doing in school.

The sessions will be

- Year 2 – Monday 29th September – 9-10am
- Year 1 – Monday 6th October – 9-10am
- EYFS – Monday 10th November – 9-10am

You will then take all the resources home to continue the learning. From this, each week, you will receive a new pack of resources with full instructions. This will continue for 6 weeks. The expectation is that you will spend no more than 10 minutes a day engaging with the activities with your child.

Why engage you in your child's learning?
"Research evidence suggests that when parents are engaged in the children's learning, outcomes for children can be improved. The research also highlights the fact that parents felt they need more support to understand the current curriculum content and how they can support their child with their learning at home."

The workshop will be led by Mrs White (Year 4 class teacher and maths coordinator) who has been working with the NCETM and the local Maths Hub and now is a Primary Mastery specialist for Mathematics. She is very passionate about the Mastering Number programme and she has seen first-hand the benefits to the children. This parent project is really exciting and we hope it will help adults at home to understand how the children learn maths at our school and how best to support your child.

We really hope you engage with this project. To secure your place with your child, then please complete the slip attached.

If you are unable to attend, please still return the slip as your child will still be able to take part.

If there are any questions then please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely

Susanne White
Maths Coordinator

To Mrs White

Mastering Number at Home programme

Child's Name …….. Class ……..

I *will / will not be able to attend my child's Maths workshop as follows: -

*Year 2 – Monday 29th September – 9-10am

*Year 1 – Monday 6th October – 9-10am

*Reception – Monday 10th November – 9-10am
*Please circle as required.

I attended / did not attend a previous Mastering Number at Home session

Signed …… Dated ……