



YEAR 4 AUTUMN 1

FOUNDATIONAL KNOWLEDGE AT HOME

Little and often makes a big difference!

Helping your child remember the key knowledge they are learning this half term.
Just 5–10 minutes each day can strengthen long-term memory and build confidence.

Have fun, make it practical and celebrate every success!



KEEP REMEMBERING

Building on Year 3

These facts should continue to become automatic.



Recall number bonds to 100.

Try this...

Use number cards or ask quick-fire questions.



Recall multiplication and division facts for the 3, 4 and 8 times tables.

Try this...

Use TT Rock Stars, flash cards or real-life examples.



Count in 25s, 50s, 100s and 1000s.

Try this...

Count aloud in the car or while climbing stairs.



Compare and order numbers up to 1000.

Try this...

Use numbers you see on signs, prices or in the news.



Tell the time to the nearest minute.

Try this...

Ask, "What time is it?" throughout the day.



Add and subtract money using pounds and pence.

Try this...

Use real coins when shopping or at home.



Read and interpret bar charts and pictograms.

Try this...

Look at charts in books, newspapers or online.



Measure length, mass, capacity and temperature.

Try this...

Measure ingredients or everyday items together.



Retrieval practice strengthens memory and builds confidence.



THIS HALF TERM



Maths KIRFs (Autumn 1)

We are learning to recall automatically:

- ✓ All multiplication facts up to 12×12 .

Examples

$$\begin{array}{ll} 7 \times 6 = 42 & 11 \times 7 = 77 \\ 9 \times 8 = 72 & 6 \times 9 = 54 \\ 12 \times 12 = 144 & 3 \times 12 = 36 \end{array}$$

Try these at home



Flash cards

Use flash cards or online games to test quick recall.



Quick-fire questions

Ask random questions in the car or on the go.



Times table grids

Choose a row or column and challenge each other.



Board and dice games

Practise while playing games that use times tables.



Real-life maths

Look for chances to use multiplication in real life (e.g. 6 packs of 12 sweets).



Communication & Language (Autumn 1)

We are learning to:

- ✓ Participate actively in collaborative conversations and discussions.

At home you could

- ✓ Listen carefully to others.
- ✓ Share your ideas clearly.
- ✓ Ask questions to keep the discussion going.
- ✓ Build on what others have said.
- ✓ Respect different opinions.
- ✓ Work together to solve problems.



KEEP BUILDING

Skills we develop throughout Year 4



Handwriting

Throughout Year 4 we continue developing:

- ✓ legible, fluent and joined handwriting
- ✓ consistent letter size and shape
- ✓ correct spacing between words
- ✓ joining with increasing accuracy: diagonal and horizontal joins
- ✓ increased speed and stamina
- ✓ maintaining neat presentation across all subjects

Practice through:



letters



postcards



notes



shopping lists



diaries



stories



reports



creative writing



Spelling

Throughout Year 4 we continue building:

- The Year 3/4 statutory spelling list
- Common Exception Words
- Homophones and near homophones
- Word families and patterns
- Adding prefixes: in- il- im- ir- re- sub- inter- super- anti-
- Using apostrophes for plural possession
- Dictionary skills and proofreading



Little and often practice helps these become automatic.



HOW CAN I HELP AT HOME?



Ask questions and talk.



Make learning part of everyday life.



Play games and have fun.



Encourage reading.



Praise effort and progress.



Have a positive attitude to learning.



READ EVERY DAY!

Read together for 15–20 minutes every day.

Talk about:

- ✓ What happened?
- ✓ Why did that happen?
- ✓ Favourite part.
- ✓ What might happen next?
- ✓ New words.



TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS

Practise times tables regularly.

Build speed and confidence.

Every correct answer counts!

<https://ttrockstars.com>



CENTURY



Complete assigned Nuggets. Century automatically recommends learning matched to your child's next steps.



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Maths (KS2)

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Games and activities

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Little and often is always better than lots all at once.



Make learning part of everyday life.



Strong foundations support future success.



Praise effort and celebrate progress.



Have fun learning together!