KS2 MATHS, ENGLISH & SCIENCE SUPPORT WORKSHOP

KS2 SCIENCE SUPPORT AT HOME



WHAT ARE THE MAIN AREAS OF SCIENCE YOU NEED TO PAY ATTENTION TO?

Scientific knowledge

- Science vocabulary (Photosynthesis, inheritance)
- Processes (the water cycle)



Working Scientifically

- Planning an investigation
- Setting up an investigation
- Observe and record data
- Evaluating investigation



HOW CAN YOU HELP AT HOME?

Ask questions – what does your child want to know?

Child: Why do bears hibernate?

Parent/Carer: What is hibernation? How could we find out?

Ask them what they have found out – explaining their findings to you is another step of learning

Parent/Carer: So why does it rain sometimes and not other times?

Observe changes – what is the same? What is different?

Parent/Carer: Can plastic be soft and hard?

Parent/Carer: If something is bumpy can it be hard?



HOW CAN YOU HELP AT HOME?

• RECORD – THROUGH PICTURES, WORDS, VIDEOS ETC.



 USE SCIENCE LANGUAGE – START FROM A YOUNG AGE AND EXPLAIN WHAT THE WORDS MEAN.

CHILD: THIS IS THE HIP BONE

PARENT: IS THAT IT'S SCIENTIFIC NAME

CHILD: NO IT'S THE PELVIS

 EVIDENCE – IF THEY HAVE A THEORY, DO THEY HAVE EVIDENCE THAT PROVES IT TO BE TRUE?

CHILD: IT'S COLD OUTSIDE

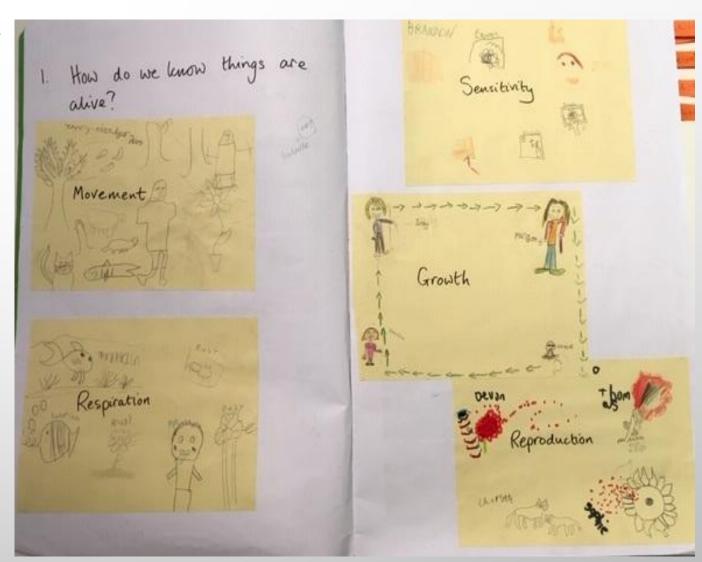
PARENT/CARER: HOW DO YOU KNOW? CAN YOU PROVE IT?

 CONCLUSIONS – WHAT DID THEIR INVESTIGATIONS SHOW THEM? WHAT DID THEY LEARN? CAN THEY PROVE A THEORY?

PARENT: I CAN SEE DIFFERENT SIZE PENCILS FLOAT ON WATER, WHAT ELSE COULD YOU TEST ABOUT FLOATING?

CHILD: MAYBE I COULD TRY DIFFERENT MATERIALS TO SEE IF THAT MAKES A DIFFERENCE?

PARENT: WHAT DIFFERENCE DO YOU THINK IT WOULD MAKE AND WHY?



HELPFUL WEBSITES

INVESTIGATIONS TO DO AT HOME:

- HTTPS://WWW.WOODLANDTRUST.ORG.UK/BLOG/2020/03/KIDS-NATURE-ACTIVITIES-SELF-ISOLATION/
- HTTPS://WWW.SCIENCEFUN.ORG/KIDSZONE/EXPERIMENTS/ OR EXPLORE YOUTUBE.

PRIMARY SCIENCE HOME LEARNING GUIDE FOR PARENTS

HTTPS://WWW.THESCHOOLRUN.COM/ACCESS-THESE-FANTASTIC-SCIENCE-RESOURCES-TODAY

ONLINE SCIENCE LESSONS AND SUPPORT FOR HOME LEARNING FOR KS2

HTTPS://WWW.BBC.CO.UK/BITESIZE/SUBJECTS/Z2PFB9Q

PRIMARY SCIENCE INTERACTIVE ACTIVITIES AND GAMES

- HTTPS://WOWSCIENCE.CO.UK/?SFID=27& SFM RESOURCE TYPE=GAMES
- HTTPS://PBSKIDS.ORG/GAMES/SCIENCE
- HTTPS://MRNUSSBAUM.COM/GAMES/SCIENCE-GAMES

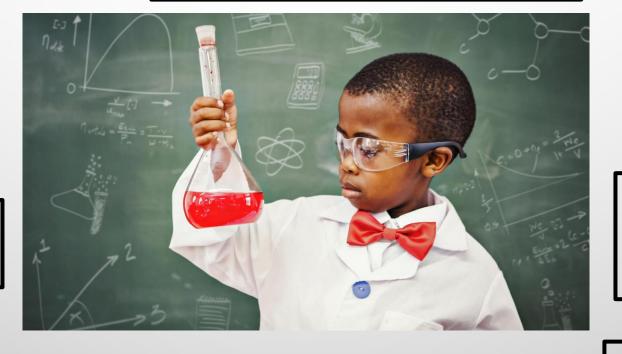
REMEMBER SCIENCE IS ALL AROUND US

How do you cook an egg?

Do some exercise, measure your heart rate

When I listen to loud music sometimes the floor shakes

How long is mummy pregnant for?



Why is there water dripping down the window?

Why is there water dripping down the window?

Why does my shadow look so long?

How do you catch corona virus?

Look after a plant

I got an electric shock when I touched the computer screen







SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD WITH

MATHS AT HOME







WHAT YOU SAY REALLY MATTERS.

Don't worry. I wasn't very good at maths at school either.

We didn't do it like this when I was at school.

You'll have to ask someone else. I'm terrible at fractions.

Oh no – time for the dreaded maths homework.

TALKING POSITIVELY ABOUT MATHS IS PROVEN TO

REDUCE MATHS ANXIETY.

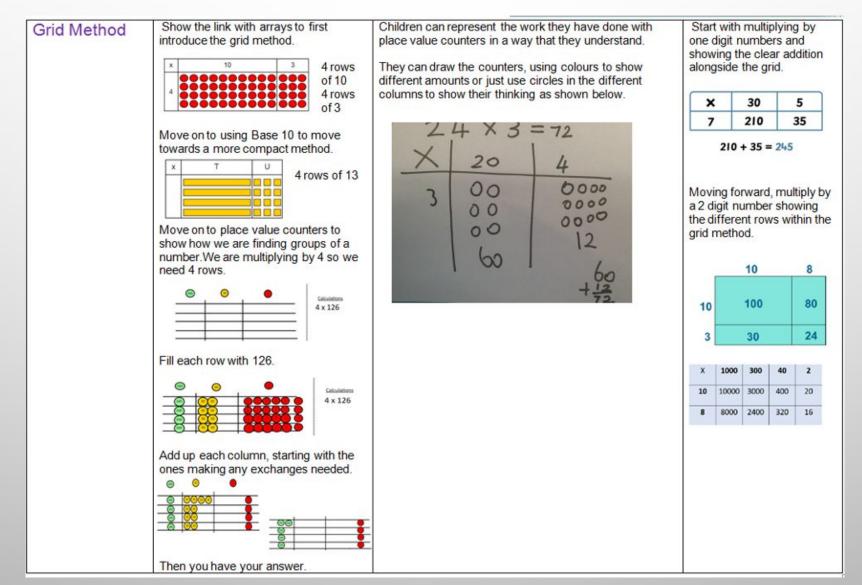
Let's try this together.

Don't give up.
You're doing really
well and will get
there.

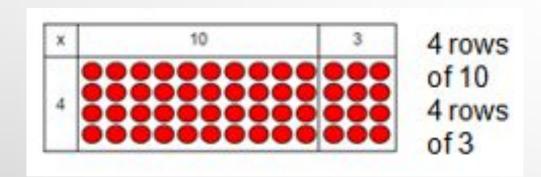
What can we use to help us?

The best bit about maths is finally working something out.

YOUR CHILD WILL EXPERIENCE MATHS THROUGH CONCRETE MATERIALS, PICTURES AND WRITTEN CALCULATIONS.

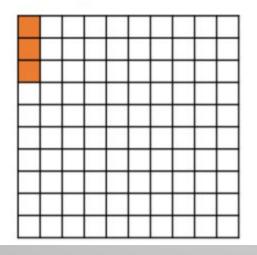


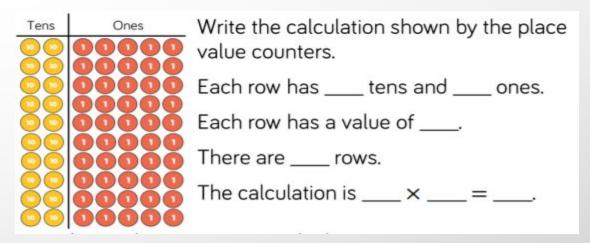
THIS IS OFTEN THE THING THAT PARENTS FIND DIFFICULT TO INTERPRET.



What fraction is shown in both representations? Can you convert this in to a decimal?

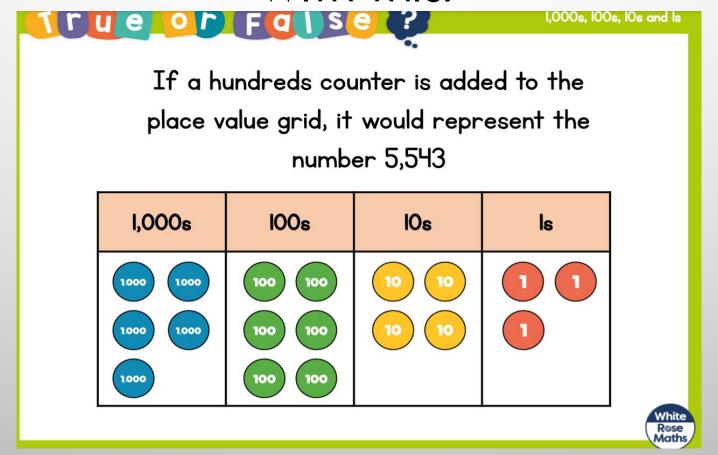






Remember the pictures are there to support the learning. Ask your child what they notice about the picture first. Count how many the picture represents then go from there.

THEY WILL ALSO LEARN TO USE REASONING TO SOLVE PROBLEMS. ASKING YOUR CHILD TO EXPLAIN HOW THEY KNOW SOMETHING IS RIGHT OR WRONG REALLY HELPS WITH THIS.



USING EVERYDAY OPPORTUNITIES REALLY HELPS.











TIMES TABLES ARE A KEY TO MANY AREAS OF MATHS.

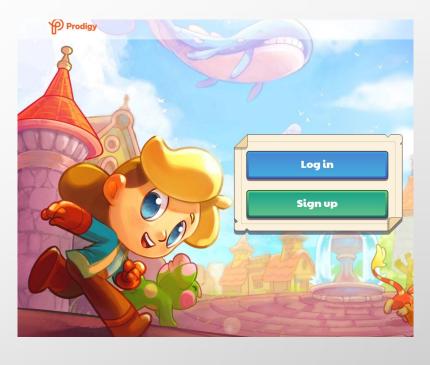
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WEBSITES TO SUPPORT LEARNING.

WWW.PRODIGYGAME.COM









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These are websites which the school subscribes to. Your child has a login and password for each of them.

TT Rockstars – this is a fun way to learn times tables. https://ttrockstars.com/

Numbots – this game provides children with different maths problems to solve as they move around it. https://play.numbots.com/#/account/school-login-type

Purple Mash – there are lots of games and activities to support all areas of maths. https://www.purplemash.com/login/

These websites are free and fun to use. https://www.prodigygame.com/main-en/

https://www.topmarks.co.uk/

https://www.timestables.co.uk/

Please play games

- Snakes and ladders as it is, vary dice numbers
- Guess Who? systematic working, exploring possibilities
- Junior Monopoly money
- Cluedo strategy
- Battleships coordinates and strategy
- Noughts and crosses strategy
- Connect 4 strategy
- Bingo/beetle drive

AND FINALLY.....



SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD WITH WRITING



TOP TIPS:

- ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD TO WATCH THE TEACHER'S VIDEO FIRST, BEFORE BEGINNING THE TASK.
 - MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD REALLY UNDERSTANDS THE TASK BEFORE THEY BEGIN.
- REMIND YOUR CHILD TO ALWAYS INCLUDE KEY GRAMMATICAL FEATURES IN THEIR WRITING TO MAINTAIN HIGH EXPECTATIONS IN WRITING. FOR EXAMPLE:
 - CAPITAL LETTERS
 - FULL-STOPS
 - PARAGRAPHS
 - CORRECT USE OF APOSTROPHES
 - COMMAS
 - ALWAYS ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD TO RE-READ THEIR WRITING BEFORE THEY FINISH.

SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD WITH HANDWRITING

WHENEVER YOUR CHILD IS WRITING BY HAND, ENCOURAGE THEM TO THINK ABOUT THEIR HANDWRITING.

TRY TO SUPPORT YOUR CHILD BY...

- ENCOURAGING THEM TO SIT CORRECTLY
 - GRIP THEIR PENCIL CORRECTLY
- HELPING THEM WITH THE SIZE OF THEIR LETTERS.
- ENCOURAGING THEM TO THINK ABOUT WHERE EACH LETTER SITS ON THE LINE
 - ENCOURAGING THEM TO JOIN THEIR LETTERS





HELPFUL WEBSITES FOR WRITING

BBC bitesize KS2:

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zv48q6f



Topmarks KS2:

https://www.topmarks.co.uk/english-games/7-11-years/spelling-and-grammar

Crickweb KS2:

http://www.crickweb.co.uk/ks2literacy.html

Writing ideas through animated film

https://www.literacyshed.com/the-ks1-shed.html

SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD WITH READING

TOP TIPS:

- ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD TO FIND A CALM, QUIET ENVIRONMENT TO READ.
- WALK THROUGH THE BOOK / TEXT WITH YOUR CHILD FIRST, BEFORE THEY BEGIN TO READ:
 - READ THE TITLE OF THE BOOK/TEXT AND LOOK AT THE FRONT COVER
 - DISCUSS WHAT THE BOOK/TEXT MIGHT BE ABOUT
 - LOOK AT THE BLURB TOGETHER
 - LOOK AT ANY PICTURES TOGETHER
 - IDENTIFY ANY KEY WORDS TOGETHER
- ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD TO USE A RANGE OF STRATEGIES WHEN THEY FIND A WORD TRICKY.
 - FOCUS ON A RANGE OF READING SKILLS WITH YOUR CHILD E.G. RETRIEVAL, INFERENCE AND SUMMARISING SKILLS WHEN ASKING THEM QUESTIONS ABOUT THE BOOK/TEXT THEY'VE READ.
 - ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD TO ALWAYS GIVE EVIDENCE FOR THEIR ANSWERS TO READING QUESTIONS.

READING DIFFICULT WORDS

IF YOUR CHILD GETS STUCK ON A WORD, YOU COULD...

1. Ask them to use their sounds (phonics).

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2. Ask them to miss out the word, read the rest of the sentence and see if they can work out what it means.

3. Use picture clues to help them



The dog ran after the ball.

4. Ask them to use their knowledge of prefixes and suffixes to help them break down the word.



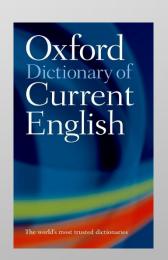


5. Encourage them to use a dictionary to find the meaning of the word.



Revisit the word at the end of the reading session.

Can your child remember what the word was?



HELPFUL WEBSITES FOR READING



Bug Club:

https://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk/login?c=0

Free online books/audio stories:

https://library.thenational.academy/

https://stories.audible.com/discovery

https://literacytrust.org.uk/family-zone/9-12/book-hopes/

Additional reading websites:

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zv48q6f

Some classes are using the website Epic! too. This requires a school log-in to give free access.