

## Reception - Progression of Knowledge and Skills Maths

**Number**

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## Comparison

Development matters		Birth to 5 matters	
3 and 4 year olds	Reception	Range 5	Range 6
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Link numerals and amounts: for example, showing the right number of objects to match the numeral, up to 5.</li> <li>Experiment with their own symbols and marks as well as numerals.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Count objects, actions and sounds.</li> <li>Compare numbers.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Compares two small groups of up to five objects, saying when there are the same number of objects in each group, e.g. You've got two, I've got two. Same!</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Uses number names and symbols when comparing numbers, showing interest in large numbers</li> <li>Estimates of numbers of things, showing understanding of relative size</li> </ul>
Autumn 3, Autumn 5 Spring 1 Summer 2	Autumn 1, Autumn 5 Spring 1, Spring 3, Spring 4, Spring 5 Summer 1, Summer 6	Autumn 2, Autumn 5	Spring 1, Spring 3, Spring 5 Summer 1, Summer 4

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## Counting

Development matters		Birth to 5 matters	
3 and 4 year olds	Reception	Range 5	Range 6
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recite numbers past 5.</li> <li>Say one number for each item in order: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Count beyond ten.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>May enjoy counting verbally as far as they can go</li> <li>Points or touches (tags) each item, saying one number for each item, using the stable order of 1,2,3,4,5.</li> <li>Uses some number names and number language within play, and may show fascination with large numbers</li> <li>Begin to recognise numerals 0 to 10</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enjoys reciting numbers from 0 to 10 (and beyond) and back from 10 to 0</li> <li>Increasingly confident at putting numerals in order 0 to 10 (ordinality)</li> </ul>
Autumn 3, Autumn 5 Spring 3, Spring 5 Summer 1	Summer 1, Summer 6	Autumn 3, Autumn 5 Spring 1, Spring 5 Summer 1	Spring 5 Summer 1

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## Cardinality

Development matters		Birth to 5 matters	
3 and 4 year olds	Reception	Range 5	Range 6
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop fast recognition of up to 3 objects, without having to count them individually ('subitising').</li> <li>Know that the last number reached when counting a small set of objects tells you how many there are in total ('cardinal principle').</li> <li>Show 'finger numbers' up to 5.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Subitise</li> <li>Link the number symbol (numeral) with its cardinal number value.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Subitises one, two and three objects (without counting)</li> <li>Counts up to five items, recognising that the last number said represents the total counted so far (cardinal principle)</li> <li>Links numerals with amounts up to 5 and maybe beyond</li> <li>Explores using a range of their own marks and signs to which they ascribe mathematical meanings</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Engages in subitising numbers to four and maybe five</li> <li>Counts out up to 10 objects from a larger group</li> <li>Matches the numeral with a group of items to show how many there are (up to 10)</li> </ul>
Autumn 3, Autumn 5 Spring 1	Autumn 3, Autumn 5 Spring 1, Spring 3, Spring 5 Summer 6	Autumn 3, Autumn 5 Spring 1 Summer 2	Autumn 5 Spring 1, Spring 3, Spring 5 Summer 4

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## Composition

Development matters		Birth to 5 matters	
3 and 4 year olds	Reception	Range 5	Range 6
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Solve real world mathematical problems with numbers up to 5.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Understand the 'one more than/one less than' relationship between consecutive numbers.</li> <li>Explore the composition of numbers to 10.</li> <li>Automatically recall number bonds for numbers 0-5 and some to 10.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Through play and exploration, beginning to learn that numbers are made up (composed) of smaller numbers</li> <li>Beginning to use understanding of number to solve practical problems in play and meaningful activities</li> <li>Beginning to recognise that each counting number is one more than the one before</li> <li>Separates a group of three or four objects in different ways, beginning to recognise that the total is still the same</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Shows awareness that numbers are made up (composed) of smaller numbers, exploring partitioning in different ways with a wide range of objects</li> <li>Begins to conceptually subitise larger numbers by subitising smaller groups within the number, e.g. sees six raisins on a plate as three and three</li> <li>In practical activities, adds one and subtracts one with numbers to 10</li> <li>Begins to explore and work out mathematical problems, using signs and strategies of their own choice, including (when appropriate) standard numerals, tallies and "+" or "-"</li> </ul>
Autumn 5 Spring 1	Autumn 3, Autumn 5 Spring 1, Spring 3, Spring 5 Summer 2, Summer 4, Summer 6	Autumn 3, Autumn 5 Spring 1	Autumn 5 Spring 1, Spring 3, Spring 5 Summer 2, Summer 4, Summer 6

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**Shape, space and measure**

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## Spatial awareness

Development matters		Birth to 5 matters	
3 and 4 year olds	Reception	Range 5	Range 6
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Compare quantities using language: 'more than', 'fewer than',</li> <li>Understand position through words alone – for example, "The bag is under the table," – with no pointing.</li> <li>Describe a familiar route.</li> <li>Discuss routes and locations, using words like 'in front of' and 'behind'.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Select, rotate and manipulate shapes in order to develop spatial reasoning skills.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Responds to and uses language of position and direction</li> <li>Predicts, moves and rotates objects to fit the space or create the shape they would like</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Uses spatial language, including following and giving directions, using relative terms and describing what they see from different viewpoints</li> <li>Investigates turning and flipping objects in order to make shapes fit and create models; predicting and visualising how they will look (spatial reasoning)</li> <li>May enjoy making simple maps of familiar and imaginative environments, with landmarks</li> </ul>
Autumn 2, Autumn 4 Spring 3 Summer 5	Spring 6 Summer 3	Autumn 4 Spring 6 Summer 3	Spring 6 Summer 3, Summer 5

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Shape		White Rose MATHS	
Development matters		Birth to 5 matters	
3 and 4 year olds	Reception	Range 5	Range 6
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Talk about and explore 2D and 3D shapes (for example, circles, rectangles, triangles and cuboids) using informal and mathematical language: 'sides', 'corners', 'straight', 'flat', 'round'.</li> <li>• Select shapes appropriately: flat surfaces for building, a triangular prisms for a roof, etc.</li> <li>• Combine shapes to make new ones – an arch, a bigger triangle, etc.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Compose and decompose shapes so that children recognise a shape can have other shapes <i>within</i> it, just as numbers can.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chooses items based on their shape which are appropriate for the child's purpose</li> <li>• Responds to both informal language and common shape names</li> <li>• Shows awareness of shape similarities and differences between objects</li> <li>• Enjoys partitioning and combining shapes to make new shapes with 2D and 3D shapes</li> <li>• Attempts to create arches and enclosures when building, using trial and improvement to select blocks</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Uses informal language and analogies, (e.g. <i>heart-shaped and hand-shaped leaves</i>), as well as mathematical terms to describe shapes .</li> <li>• Enjoys composing and decomposing shapes, learning which shapes combine to make other shapes</li> <li>• Uses own ideas to make models of increasing complexity, selecting blocks needed, solving problems and visualising what they will build.</li> </ul>
Autumn 4, Autumn 6 Spring 6	Autumn 6 Spring 6 Summer 3	Autumn 6 Spring 6 Summer 3	Autumn 4 Spring 6 Summer 3, Summer 5

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## Pattern

Development matters		Birth to 5 matters	
3 and 4 year olds	Reception	Range 5	Range 6
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Talk about and identify the patterns around them. For example: stripes on clothes, designs on rugs and wallpaper. Use informal language like 'pointy', 'spotty', 'blobs', etc.</li> <li>• Extend and create ABAB patterns – stick, leaf, stick, leaf.</li> <li>• Notice and correct an error in a repeating pattern.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue, copy and create repeating patterns.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Creates their own spatial patterns showing some organisation or regularity</li> <li>• Explores and adds to simple linear patterns of two or three repeating items, e.g. stick, leaf (AB) or stick, leaf, stone (ABC)</li> <li>• Joins in with simple patterns in sounds, objects, games and stories dance and movement, predicting what comes next</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Spots patterns in the environment, beginning to identify the pattern "rule"</li> <li>• Chooses familiar objects to create and recreate repeating patterns beyond AB patterns and begins to identify the unit of repeat</li> </ul>
Autumn 2 Spring 6	Autumn 2 Spring 6 Summer 5	Autumn 2	Autumn 1 Spring 6 Summer 5

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## Measure

Development matters		Birth to 5 matters	
3 and 4 year olds	Reception	Range 5	Range 6
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Make comparisons between objects relating to size, length, weight and capacity.</li> <li>• Begin to describe a sequence of events, real or fictional, using words such as 'first', 'then...'</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Compare length, weight and capacity.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In meaningful contexts, finds the longer or shorter, heavier or lighter and more/less full of two items</li> <li>• Recalls a sequence of events in everyday life and stories.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enjoys tackling problems involving prediction and discussion of comparisons of length, weight or capacity, paying attention to fairness and accuracy</li> <li>• Becomes familiar with measuring tools in everyday experiences and play</li> <li>• Is increasingly able to order and sequence events using everyday language related to time</li> <li>• Beginning to experience measuring time with timers and calendars</li> </ul>
Autumn 2 Spring 2, Spring 4 Summer 5	Spring 2, Spring 4 Summer 6	Autumn 2, Autumn 6 Spring 4	Autumn 6 Spring 2, Spring 4 Summer 6