

Calculation Policy *Division*



This policy accounts for only one path of progression through division. Children will move through these calculation methods and experiences at different rates. Consequently, the stages do not relate to an age range or year group – rather, they should be seen as a continuum that all children will progress along. They may incorporate other approaches in their work and this should be encouraged so long as they are developing sound understanding. The concepts outlined here will enable the school to deliver a set of skills that allow for continuity and progression.

Stage	Examples	At each stage children develop and refine different skills. Children secure their understanding by
rly Experiences	+1: Early experiences	 Recognising 1-to-1 relationship. Counting groups of objects reliably. Arranging objects into sets containing the same amount. Comparing the size of equal and unequal sets of objects.
÷1: Ec	Repeated subtraction Sets of objects	<i>Use key language in context:</i> Groups of, sets of, lots of, pairs.
÷2: Sharing	+2: Sharing refor you refor you refor you $12 \div 2 = 6$	 ✓ Separating objects into equal groups and recognise when some are left over. ✓ Using mental addition strategies for adding in 2s, 3s, 5s. ✓ Exploring and beginning to recognise numbers in the 2, 3, 5 and 10 times tables.
	Practical experience of sharing multiple items into smaller groups	<i>Use key language in context:</i> Share, equal, fair, unequal, unfair, sequence, more/less.
÷3: Grouping	+3: Grouping Eight ducks in a pond live in families of 2. How many families live in this pond? $8 \div 2 = 4$	 Grouping objects form a larger set into smaller, equal subsets. Counting the number of groups, not the number of objects. Identifying a pattern and continue the sequence in equal steps. Talking about patterns in the 2, 5 and 10 times tables and use this to extend beyond x10.
	Practical experience of dividing a collection of objects into small groups	<i>Use key language in context:</i> Equal groups/sets/piles, divide.
÷4: Arrays	+4: Arrays $15 \div 3 = 5$ $15 \div 5 = 3$ Physical resources are arranged into rows, providing visual models for exploring multiplication and division	 ✓ Recalling multiplication facts for the 2, 3, 4, 5 and 10 times tables and begin to recognise related division facts. ✓ Understanding that a multiplication can be broken down into easier chunks using an array e.g. 4x8 = (4x5) + (4x3) = 20 + 12 = 32. ✓ Recording legibly with increasing accuracy. Use key language in context: All of the above! + Array, partition, multiply, multiples, times, divide, sets, groups.

5: Number line chunking	+5: Chunking using a number line $24 \div 4 = 6$ 4 + 4 + 4 + 4 + 4 + 4 + 4 + 4 + 4 + 4 +	 ✓ Repeating addition accurately towards a target number. ✓ Reciting multiplication sequence for x2, 3, 4, 5, & 10 times tables in order. ✓ Relating physical resources to what is written on the numberline and visa versa. ✓ Recording legibly to organise the numberline.
• •	All chunks are added to give the answer.	Repeated addition, times, lots of, chunks of, groups of.
5: Chunking large numbers	+6: Jumping in larger chunks 132 ÷ 6 = 22 $\xrightarrow{+60}$ $\xrightarrow{+12}$ $\xrightarrow{+12}$ $\xrightarrow{+120}$ $\xrightarrow{+12}$ $\xrightarrow{+120}$ $\xrightarrow{+12}$ $\xrightarrow{+120}$ $\xrightarrow{+12}$ $\xrightarrow{+120}$ $\xrightarrow{+12}$ $\xrightarrow{-120}$ $\xrightarrow{+120}$ $\xrightarrow{-120}$ $\xrightarrow{+120}$ $\xrightarrow{-120}$ $\xrightarrow{+120}$ $\xrightarrow{-120}$	 ✓ Recalling multiplication facts for many tables up to 10 x 10 and related division facts. ✓ Recognising how times tables knowledge can be applied to solve larger problems 6 x 1 = 6 x 2 = 12 x 3 = 18 x 4 = 24 6 x 10 = 60 x 20 = 120 x 30 = 180 x 40 = 240 ✓ Adding up to 1000 mentally. ✓ Beginning to solve 2-digit divisions using menu. ✓ Applying addition strategies for adding in columns, if required. ✓ Using rounding, estimating and number sense to check for accuracy in work. Use key language in context:
÷	A menu helps children to remember key facts.	Place value, partition, 'true value', multiply & divide.
Column chunking	*7: Chunking in columns 246 ÷ 7 = 35 r1 (7×10) (7×5) 1 Chunks are subtracted from the target until	 Recording the 'true value' of each chunk when solving a calculation. Demonstrating an understanding of column subtraction to calculate each chunk accurately. Showing secure understanding of multiplying and dividing times table facts by 10 and 100. Solving 2-digit divisions and begin to explore decimal divisions using menu. Recording legibly to arrange calculations in columns. Using rounding, estimating and number sense to check for accuracy in work.
÷7:	nothing, or a remainder, is left over. Chunks are recorded and added to find answer.	<i>Use key language in context:</i> Remainder, left over, subtract, column, 'true value'
÷8: Column	+8: Chunking with decimals and short method 187.2 \div 8 = 23.4 \div 8 $\frac{187.2}{27.2}$ Can be $\frac{-160.0}{27.2}$ (8 x 20) Can be $\frac{-24.0}{27.2}$ (8 x 3) $\frac{-24.0}{3.2}$ (8 x 3) $\frac{-3.2}{0.0}$ (8 x 0.4) \div 8 $\frac{023.4}{1877.2}$ Children chunk in decimals by applying place value knowledge. Short method can be used make single-digit divisions more efficient.	 Recognising place value in numbers to 2 and 3 decimal places in the context of measure. Demonstrating greater accuracy and efficiency in using multiplication knowledge to derive other useful facts: x20, x30, x40 and x200, x300, x400 etc and x0.2, x0.3, x0.4 and x0.02, x0.03, x0.04 etc. Solving 1- and 2- digit decimal divisions using appropriate strategies. Dividing by decimal numbers with 1 decimal place (using menu if required). Using rounding, estimating and number sense to check for accuracy in work