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Mathematics Policy

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'A high quality mathematics education provides a foundation for understanding the world, the ability to reason mathematically, an appreciation of the beauty and power of mathematics, and a sense of enjoyment and curiosity about the subject.'

(National Curriculum 2014)

The national curriculum for mathematics aims to ensure that all pupils:

- become **fluent** in the fundamentals of mathematics, including through varied and frequent practice with increasingly complex problems over time, so that pupils develop conceptual understanding and the ability to recall and apply knowledge rapidly and accurately;
- reason mathematically by following a line of enquiry, conjecturing relationships and generalisations, and developing an argument, justification or proof using mathematical language;
- can **solve problems** by applying their mathematics to a variety of routine and non-routine problems with increasing sophistication, including breaking down problems into a series of simpler steps and persevering in seeking solutions.
- Understand the interconnectedness of mathematics across subjects as well as understand its importance in everyday life, within communities and our world.

Our aim is for all pupils to be informed, articulate and empowered.

Informed

- Children have a secure understanding of key mathematical concepts and can solve problems in a variety of different ways
- Children understand the importance of maths in their daily lives and know how it relates to the real world

Articulate

• Through the teaching of subject specific vocabulary and stem sentences, children develop their understanding of key mathematical concepts, which enables them to communicate and reason effectively.

Empowered

- By giving children correct vocabulary and stem sentences, all are able and confident to access the learning and explain their thinking.
- The focus on having a growth mind-set is essential in the teaching of maths, empowering children with the confidence to have a go, to learn from mistakes and to keep trying and improving.
- Children explore the purposes of maths within a context as well as its meaning within their own life and future.

The following document sets out the essence of the teaching and learning of mathematics at Overleigh St Marys Primary School. Children will experience the awe and wonder of mathematics as they learn to solve problems; develop ways of looking at patterns; discover efficient strategies and make links between the different areas of maths. Children are engaged and inspired by a mastery teaching approach that enables all to achieve and succeed. Mathematical fluency and understanding of number are crucial to children's future success and are taught in depth at Overleigh St Marys. Oracy is a core element of our maths teaching to enable children to articulate their ideas clearly and develop a deeper understanding of the maths. We encourage children to use approaches, which work for them, by equipping them with a range of efficient strategies and ensuring an understanding of them. We intend to make maths practical, relevant and engaging, so that our children are confident and excited by maths. They will leave Overleigh St Marys understanding how mathematics is a vital life skill which is useful throughout their life and future careers.

CHILDREN WITH SEND

Overleigh St Marys is an inclusive school and as such, do not believe in narrowing the curriculum for any learner. Our curriculum is designed with inclusion of all, and our curriculum intent is therefore the same for all children including those with SEND. However, we are mindful that there are an abundance of factors which need to be considered in order for all learners to be able to access learning according to their individual needs. Therefore, whilst our curriculum intent is the same for all learners; our implementation of the curriculum may well look different for different groups of children including those with SEND. Teachers will plan, scaffold, challenge and embed learning through activities which are amended to meet individual children's needs. If a child's needs are best met by following an alternative plan, including coverage of the content from a previous year, this will be discussed with the SENCO. Children are supported through a multi-sensory approach to their learning based on the outcomes written in their SEN support plan or EHCP. Children with specific learning difficulties related to mathematics may require further, targeted support and for their learning to be broken into even smaller steps, with extra time given to develop the key skills, concepts and understanding required to accelerate their progress. Throughout their time with us, in accordance with our school's vision, we ensure we have and maint in high expectations and aspiration for all pupils, including those with SEND.

Area	Intent/Rationale	Implementation	Resources to support	Impact
Scheme of work and progression	Using a scheme of work allows teachers to plan for progression and the mastery approach in the most effective way, whilst also building fluency. We teach for mastery, following the White Rose and PowerMaths scheme of work. The mastery approach recognises the value of developing the power to think rather than just do. It also recognises the value of making a coherent journey in which whole- class groups tackle concepts in very small steps, one by one. Teachers are expected to use the scheme as a basis for their teaching and adapt as necessary, always using their own professional judgement in the first instance. A scheme of work is a guide and should not solely dictate either the content or the speed of the lessons if assessments indicate otherwise.	Teachers use the long term plan to schedule the units they will teach and the order they will be taught in. Medium term plans are provided so that they can be adapted if necessary and provide the basis for individual weekly planning. Through the scheme the children's mathematical journey is supported, giving them experiences of mathematical talk, concrete experiences, pictorial representations, fluency activities and reasoning problems that challenge their mathematical thinking. Teachers should adapt the scheme when necessary to take account of prior learning and the individual needs of the pupils.	Concrete resources including: numicon, Cuisenaire, place value counters, Dienes, bead strings, multilink etc. Pictorial representations such as: bar modelling, part whole models, place value charts. Teachers have access to premium White Rose resources and the PowerMaths online planning (Active Learn Primary) NCETM website and the use of prioritization materials. NRICH website to allow for application of skills through problem solving.	Children have a secure and deep understanding of mathematical concepts. Teachers use the scheme confidently, developing their subject knowledge and their knowledge of progression across year groups.
Planning and lesson structure	Planning for maths should allow the teacher to plan for a series of lessons that demonstrate both the consolidation and progression of knowledge and skills. It is a metacognitive process that should enable the teacher to combine their knowledge of the subject, pupils and resources to ensure the teaching allows for the learning to be effective and meaningful. Planning at Overleigh will take into account ongoing CPD on metacognition and mastery	 Planning is done collaboratively with a parallel teacher(s) but should be individual to the needs of each specific class. Each lesson will be sequenced using a notebook/PPT which incorporates each part of the lesson structure. 1. Flashback 4 - help boost children's long-term memories and retrieval of key information through spaced interleaving techniques. 	White Rose and Power Maths Scheme TT Rockstars Flash back 4 (White Rose) Notebook/PPT	Teachers plan for a series of lessons which give the children a deep understanding of maths. Careful consideration is given to ensure balance of depth and breadth. They are reflective and adaptable to take account assessment. Links are made through and across other areas of maths and other subjects to ensure the children have a deep understanding of mathematical concepts.

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	teaching. Planning evolves with	2. WALT and key vocabulary to be		
	time to reflect how the children	explained. This also provides a		
	respond to the teaching and to	chance to reflect and activate prior		
	allow for misconceptions to be	knowledge linked to current		
	addressed effectively. Planning also	learning		
	incorporates work on spaced	3. A discovery question will provide		
	interleaving techniques and	a real-life scenario for the children		
	continued practice which has been	to explore using manipulatives		
	shown to be the most effective	(concrete), representations		
	method in aiding memory and	(pictorial) and calculations		
	facilitating the retrieval of facts	(abstract). This will contain a		
	automatically, thus reducing	considerable amount of		
	cognitive overload when dealing	mathematical talk.		
	with more complex calculations.	4. STEM sentences are used to help		
	·····	children explain what is happening		
	If an objective is not met, this will	using the correct vocabulary		
	he revisited the following day and	5 Through the use of MICF		
	the lesson may be repeated if	children will show their		
	necessary	understanding of the concent		
	necessary.	6 Questions will be shared to		
		evolore the concept further with		
		more examples and the teacher		
		will discuss different strategies		
		7 Independent practice questions		
		7. Independent practice questions		
		through which the children will		
		achieve the key skill. These will		
		contain reasoning and challenge		
		questions which extend the		
		children's understanding, expose		
		them to key vocabulary and		
		challenge their understanding of		
		the skill.		
		8. A chance to reflect on their		
		learning, ask questions and plan		
		next steps.		
Times tables / Number bonds	These calculations will form the	The explicit teaching of times	Third Space Learning Termly	Children know the times tables and
	basic building blocks of much of	tables should sit alongside the	planner for times tables	associated division facts (for the
	what they learn in maths right up	children's opportunities for		times tables to at least their own
	to (and even beyond) their GCSE	independent practice. This involves	TT Rockstars (usernames and logins	year groups expectations). They
	courses, such as division, algebra	chanting, songs e.g. BBC	shared to all children and parents)	recall them at speed and with
	and fractions. Children will struggle	supermovers, exploration of	Hit The Button (Topmarks)	fluency. Knowledge of them is

	to access reasoning and mastery	patterns, recall, counting stick		evident in assessment and in their
	concepts/questions without the	work.	Numbots (usernames and logins	approach to calculation.
	means by which to record their		shared to all children and parents)	
	calculative thinking. Children at	All children (Y1-6) to have access to		Aim for 100% of children to score
	Overleigh need the firmest grasp of	Times Tables Rockstars and/or		>20 in the times tables check (Y4).
	basic skills in order to apply to	Numbots		Catch up for any who did not in Y5.
	higher order reasoning and			
	practice provided through the	TT Rockstars/times tables practice		Children know the number facts for
	programmes on offer to ensure	is built into the planning (The		at least their own year groups
	this happens in the most effective	amount will depend on the needs		expectations and can recall them at
	and engaging way.	of classes and year group		speed. Fluency and knowledge of
		expectations)		them is evident in assessments and
				in their approach to calculation.
		TT Rockstar sheets/other times		
		table practise to be sent home for		
		homework as part of basic skills		
		focus.		
		KS1 children who are falling behind		
		targeted through Numbots club		
		(lunchtime club)		
		Children in KS2 who are not secure		
		should still be encouraged to use		
		Numbots.		
		KS2 children who are falling behind		
		targeted through TT Rockstars club		
		(lunchtime club TBC)		
		Children in year 4 with complete 3		
		unofficial MTC on TT rockstars		
		prior to the official test which will		
		be completed in Summer 2		
Assessment	Formative assessment is threaded	Teachers use formative assessment	Power Maths end of unit	End of unit assessments show
	throughout both each lesson and	strategies such as strategic	assessments.	progress through the current vear
	unit of work; and appropriate	guestioning, think-pair-share. exit		group unit and give an accurate
	revisions to planning are made by	questions etc. to assess the	Progression documents.	indication of the depth of
	the class teacher to ensure all	children's learning in order to	0	understanding.
	lessons are tailored to best meet	adapt and plan for future lessons	WRM termly assessment	Through summative assessments
	the needs of their children.			teachers are able to make accurate

Formative assessment is also useful for building students' metacognitive awareness of how they learn and what they need to work on, which promotes greater responsibility and independence when it comes to learning. End of unit assessments (taken from Power Maths and the White Rose) are a chance for the child to show their understanding of what they have learned in that unit of work. These can be used to help teachers form judgements about the child's progress and attainment. Summative assessments help teachers to form a judgement, alongside teacher assessment and work in books, about the progress and achievement. They prepare	Whenever possible, marking should be carried out in the moment, during the lesson. Teachers use live marking to give immediate feedback, which allows for any misconceptions to be addressed or learning deepened through questioning and further maths challenges. Teachers should use end of unit assessments to gauge a child's progress and use them to form judgements about the child's attainment in that particular area of maths. Teachers should be aware of any gaps and plan for opportunities to address them. Summative assessments are completed across Key Stage 1 and 2. This includes arithmetic and reasoning papers. These are carried out towards the end of the	KS1/KS2 previous SATs assessments	assessments of children's learning and progress and use this to help inform future learning. Data allows comparisons to be made and progress to be judged.
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Summative assessments help teachers to form a judgement, alongside teacher assessment and work in books, about the progress and achievement. They prepare the children for more formal testing that is done at the end of each Key Stage. At Overleigh these assessments are part of the teaching cycle of assessment for learning and should be administered in a way that makes them as accessible and as non- threatening as possible.	Summative assessments are completed across Key Stage 1 and 2. This includes arithmetic and reasoning papers. These are carried out towards the end of the Autumn, Spring and Summer terms. Year 5 A baseline assessment is carried out in Summer 2 using a past KS2 SAT paper. This provides a baseline indication prior to teaching the		
	Year 6 curriculum and used to set attainment targets		
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		Past SATs papers are completed in throughout the Spring term to help prepare the children.		
Interventions	Interventions will be both planned for and 'live', meaning that misconceptions are dealt with immediately and high attaining pupils are challenged appropriately. Some interventions are set, where the same children each week receive extra maths support. Others are more flexible, meaning there could be different children each week who didn't grasp a certain concept and need additional support to keep up.	Teachers who have weekly 'set' interventions, will follow the RtP documents from NCETM to ensure children are keep up with their peers. The focus is around the use of manipulatives to aid the children's understanding of a certain concept. Vocabulary is explained further and children are expected to use the correct vocabulary when answering questions. There will be a short assessment at the end of a strand. 'Flexible' interventions will focus on the objective or concept which needs addressing from the unit of work which is being followed.	RtP documents NCETM website Power maths strengthening activities	By using the NCETM ready to progress documents, this will ensure children are secure in the foundations that they need in order to make progress. Having flexible interventions will enable children to keep up rather than catch up.
Books	Books recording the children's work are an important element of evidencing progress and allowing the children to learn to work mathematically and systematically. They should reflect on the learning journey throughout a unit and include aids to help the children remember and understand mathematical concepts. Opportunities for fluency and developing reasoning and explanation should be evident. Presentation should be neat and reflect care and thought.	 Within maths learning journals, there should be evidence of: Flashback 4 (daily) Representations, calculations and explanations (MICE) Challenges to deepen learning End of unit assessments For children who find certain concepts tricky, examples of teacher intervention will be evident or evidence of feedback given. This may be live (in the 	WRM pre and post unit assessment WRM schemes of learning Progression documents (Maths National Curriculum) Ready to progress documents NCETM website	Beautifully presented books which the children are proud of. Books reflect the learning journey, the maths curriculum and provide high quality and accurate evidence of the children's knowledge, skills and understanding. They also reflect a strong work ethic and the ability to challenge their thinking and learn from their mistakes. Misconceptions are addressed promptly through timely feedback, and as a result progress is cumulative and obvious over time.

		moment) or after the lesson in a		
		keen up intervention		
		keep up intervention.		
Early Years Foundation Stage	In EYFS at Overleigh we ensure that all children have a firm foundation of mathematical understanding on which they can develop and build their mathematical knowledge. Through engaging activities appropriate to their individual development the children will build schema and develop mathematical concepts. We follow a mastery approach using the White Rose and Power maths resources which are implemented throughout the provision and focused teaching sessions. The children will be able to demonstrate the new concepts they have learnt in their independent continuous provision.	All children in the Foundation Stage have daily opportunities to develop their mathematical understanding, primarily through play, to meet the needs of Development Matters. We provide the children with daily, intentional, number focused mathematical activities to successfully build their understanding. There are also opportunities for extended mathematical discussion to further develop thinking. Within the continuous provision, we have a careful triangle of the child-adult-environment working together to ensure the children are engaged and making progress. In our mathematics teaching, this continuous provision time is used in a variety of ways to provide children with mathematical learning opportunities. Regular observations ad assessments help to ensure that children that need additional intervention to consolidate their mathematical understanding are identified and supported by appropriate intervention.	Development Matters ELGs Early years baseline assessment Concrete resources	Children will have a curiosity and enthusiasm for mathematics. Children have a secure understanding of the fundamentals of mathematical concepts.
	as such do not believe in	challenge and embed learning	numicon Cuisenaire place value	nunils including those with special
	narrowing the curriculum for any	through activities which are	counters. Dienes, bead strings	educational needs and/or
	learner. Our curriculum is designed	amended to meet individual	multilink etc	disabilities (SEND) get the same
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Metacognition	The Education Endowment Foundation (EEF) has identified	1. Planning format supports metacognitive strategies	CPD relating to metacognition will be carried out half-termly	Increased metacognitive skills

	that children who develop their metacognitive strategies effectively can make up to 8 months additional progress. At Overleigh we are continually looking to accelerate progress for all children, but especially those who need to catch up and keep up. Metacognition is integral in all areas of the curriculum and Overleigh is working on embedding it into the planning. Changing the way our children think about learning and engage in the learning process will have a long term positive impact in all areas of the curriculum.	 Activate prior knowledge Explicitly teach, model and practice strategies Independent practice where the children plan, monitor and evaluate their learning Reflection of the learning 2. Each classroom has a visual representation of 'being in the pit' which supports conversation around facing challenges and the tools they need to tackle them (will be in place by the end of 2023-2024). 3. Metacognitive talk - children know the process of learning. They engage in talk about working and long term memory which aids metacognition (beginning CPD of metacognition this year). 	throughout 2023-2024 and any resources will be accessible on the staff drive. EEF guide to metacognition copies downloadable https://educationendowment foundation.org.uk/tools/guidance- reports/metacognition-and-self- regulated-learning/	Children are better able to retain and apply their learning. This is evident not only in data and in books but also in their ability to articulate their learning.
Developing a teaching for mastery	Mastering maths means pupils of all ages acquiring a deep, long- term, secure and adaptable understanding of the subject. The phrase 'teaching for mastery' describes the elements of classroom practice and school organisation that combine to give pupils the best chances of mastering maths. Achieving mastery means acquiring a solid enough understanding of the maths that's been taught to enable pupils to move on to more advanced material.	The essential features of teaching for mastery are implemented consistently which are: - working to develop understanding - keeping the class together working on the same content - believing that every child can succeed • An expectation that all pupils can and will achieve. • The large majority of pupil's progress through the curriculum at the same pace. • Teaching is underpinned by methodical curriculum design, with units of work which focus in depth on key topics. Lessons and	Overleigh is involved in the Primary Teaching for Mastery Sustaining Programme. The maths lead will meet others as part of a 'Teacher Research Group (TRG)' every term. The meetings involve shared lesson observations and discussion. The maths lead will receive termly support from a Mastery Specialist who keeps in contact and shares experiences from their classroom and school settings. The ongoing work between participating teachers creates a whole year of school-to-school collaborative professional development.	A greater proportion of children reach age related expectations and an increasing number reach greater depth. Teachers are more knowledgeable about, and skilled at, teaching maths; classroom practice changes in ways designed to help pupils develop deeper understanding; and pupils are learning maths more securely.

resources are crafted carefully to	
foster deep conceptual and	
procedural knowledge	
Practice and consolidation play a	
central role. Well-designed	
variation builds fluency and	
understanding of underlying	
mathematical concepts in tandem.	
• Teachers use precise questioning	
to check procedural and	
conceptual knowledge.	
 A mastery curriculum often 	
involves whole class teaching, with	
all pupils being taught the same	
concepts at the same time.	
Teachers assess in lessons to	
identify who needs intervention so	
all pupils keep up.	