Addition and subtraction

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Children at the expected level of development will:	Pupils should be taught to:	Pupils should be taught to:	Pupils should be taught to:	Pupils should be taught to:	Pupils should be taught to:	Pupils should be taught to:
Number have a deep understanding of number to 10, including the composition of each number subitise (recognise quantities without counting) up to 5	read, write and interpret mathematical statements involving addition (+), subtraction (-) and equals (=) signs represent and use number bonds and related subtraction facts	solve problems with addition and subtraction: - using concrete objects and pictorial representations, including those involving numbers, quantities and measures - applying their increasing knowledge of mental and written methods recall and use addition and subtraction facts to 20 fluently, and derive and use related facts up to 100	add and subtract numbers mentally, including: - a three-digit number and ones - a three-digit number and tens - a three-digit number and hundreds	add and subtract numbers with up to 4 digits using the formal written methods of columnar addition and subtraction where appropriate	add and subtract whole numbers with more than 4 digits, including using formal written methods (columnar addition and subtraction) add and subtract numbers mentally with increasingly	perform mental calculations, including with mixed operations and large numbers use their knowledge of the order of operations to carry out calculations involving the four operations
(without reference to rhymes, counting or other aids) number bonds up to 5 (including subtraction facts) and some number bonds to 10, including double facts.	add and subtract one-digit and two- digit numbers to 20, including zero	add and subtract numbers using concrete objects, pictorial representations, and mentally, including: - a two-digit number and ones - a two-digit number and tens	numbers with up to three digits, using formal written methods of columnar addition and subtraction	estimate and use inverse operations to check answers to a calculation	use rounding to check answers to calculations and determine, in the context of a	solve addition and subtraction multi-step problems in contexts, deciding which operations and methods to use and why solve problems involving addition and subtraction, use estimation to check answers to calculations and determine, in the context of a problem, an appropriate degree of accuracy
Numerical patterns verbally count beyond 20, recognising the pattern of the counting system compare quantities up to 10 in different contexts, recognising when one quantity is greater than, less than or the same as the other quantity	solve one-step problems that involve addition and subtraction, using concrete objects and pictorial representations, and missing number problems such as $7 = \Box - 9$	- two two-digit numbers - adding three one-digit numbers show that addition of two numbers can be done in any order (commutative) and subtraction of one number from another cannot recognise and use the inverse relationship between addition and subtraction and use this to check calculations and missing number problems	estimate the answer to a calculation and use inverse operations to check answers solve problems, including missing number problems, using number facts, place value, and more complex addition and subtraction	and subtraction two-step problems in contexts, deciding which operations and methods to use and why	problem, levels of accuracy solve addition and subtraction multistep problems in contexts, deciding which operations and methods to use and why	



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3 and 4-year-olds:	Pupils memorise and	Pupils extend their	Pupils practise	Pupils continue to	Pupils practise using	Pupils practise
	reason with number	understanding of the	solving varied	practise both mental	the formal written	addition and
Develop fast recognition	bonds to 10 and 20 in	language of addition	addition and	methods and	methods of columnar	subtraction for larger
of up to 3 objects, without	several forms (for	and subtraction to	subtraction	columnar addition	addition and	numbers, using the
having to count them	example, 9 + 7 = 16;	include sum and	questions. For mental	and subtraction with	subtraction with	formal written
individually ('subitising').	16 - 7 = 9; 7 = 16 - 9).	difference.	calculations with two-	increasingly large	increasingly large	methods of columnar
	They should realise		digit numbers, the	numbers to aid	numbers to aid	addition and
Say one number for each	the effect of adding or	Pupils practise	answers could	fluency (see	fluency (see	subtraction (see
item in order: 1,2,3,4,5.	subtracting zero. This	addition and	exceed 100.	Mathematics	Mathematics	Mathematics
	establishes addition	subtraction to 20 to		Appendix 1).	Appendix 1).	Appendix 1).
Know that the last number	and subtraction as	become increasingly	Pupils use their			
reached when counting a	related operations.	fluent in deriving facts	understanding of		They practise mental	They undertake
small set of objects tells		such as using 3 + 7 =	place value and		calculations with	mental calculations
you how many there are	Pupils combine and	10, 10 - 7 = 3 and 7 =	partitioning, and		increasingly large	with increasingly
in total ('cardinal	increase numbers,	10 - 3 to calculate 30 +	practise using		numbers to aid	large numbers and
principle').	counting forwards and	70 = 100, 100 - 70 =	columnar addition		fluency (for example,	more complex
	backwards.	30 and 70 = 100 - 30.	and subtraction with		12,462 - 2,300 =	calculations.
Solve real world		They check their	increasingly large		10,162).	
mathematical problems	They discuss and	calculations, including	numbers up to three			Pupils round answers
with numbers up to 5.	solve problems in	by adding to check	digits to become			to a specified degree
	familiar practical	subtraction and adding	fluent (see Appendix			of accuracy, for
Reception:	contexts, including	numbers in a different	1).			example, to the
	using quantities.	order to check addition				nearest 10, 20, 50
Subitise.	Problems should	(for example, 5 + 2 + 1				etc, but not to a
	include the terms: put	= 1 + 5 + 2 = 1 + 2 +				specified number of
Understand the 'one more	together, add,	5). This establishes				significant figures.
than/one less than'	altogether, total, take	commutativity and				
relationship between	away, distance	associativity of				Pupils explore the
consecutive numbers.	between, difference	addition.				order of operations
	between, more than					using brackets; for
Explore the composition	and less than, so that	Recording addition				example, 2 + 1 x 3 =
of numbers to 10.	pupils develop the	and subtraction in				5 and $(2 + 1) \times 3 = 9$.
	concept of addition	columns supports				
Automatically recall	and subtraction and	place value and				
number bonds for	are enabled to use	prepares for formal				
numbers 0–5 and some to	these operations	written methods with				
10.	flexibly.	larger numbers.				

