## Primary Mathematics Curriculum

## Numeration and counting



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| Elements | Numeration and counting |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Understanding and Connecting | Participates in counting activities. <br> Explores, through the immediate environment, opportunities to count, measure, calculate or express things in numbers and subitise. | Explores how numbers are used for counting and that the last number in the count indicates the quantity of objects in a set. <br> Recognises numbers, initially within 10. <br> Recites forward to at least 10. <br> Engages in counting of concrete objects in their environment. | Connects numbers to counted objects. <br> Explores how the layout of or size of elements in a set has no effect on the overall total [conservation of number]. <br> Identifies the empty set and the numeral zero. <br> Demonstrates a growing understanding of the five principles of counting [The five principles of counting are: one-one, stable order, cardinal, order relevance and abstraction]. | Develops an understanding of the conservation of number (11-20). <br> Counts, individually and chorally, forwards and backwards within 20 starting at any given number using verbal, concrete and pictorial supports. | Counts to at least 100, counting fluently across decades. <br> Skip counts multiples of twos, fives and tens from a given multiple using verbal, concrete and pictorial supports. <br> Counts forwards and backwards in tens from any given number using verbal, concrete and pictorial supports. <br> Explores a range of approaches to support calculation strategies (For example: doubles, near doubles, add one). | Counts combinations of wholes and parts (For example: 3 whole units and 4 halves make 5). <br> Counts with fractional parts forwards and backwards (For example: in halves between 0 to 10). <br> Demonstrates ability to count forward and backwards in 100s. | Explores and counts forwards and backwards whole numbers, across tens and hundreds, to 1000 and beyond (For example: 698, 699, 700, 701). <br> Uses splitting (splitting or partitioning into hundreds, tens and units), jumping or counting forward or back in tens or hundreds and other strategies to undertake calculations involving large numbers. |
| Communicating | Responds to number rhymes, songs, jingles and stories. | Counts objects or people by touching, gesture or verbalisation from 1. <br> Uses ideas about number and quantity to communicate with others (For example: You have more cards than me). <br> Demonstrates an awareness of and uses numerals in personally meaningful contexts. | Discusses, draws and writes representations of numbers 1-10, using manipulatives. <br> Keeps track of counting acts by using numerical patterns such as tapping or fingers. <br> Makes numerals creatively. | Discusses, draws and writes representations of numbers up to at least 20. <br> Responds to questions by counting mentally 1 , 2, and 3 more than/less than a given number. <br> Explains different strategies used to count arrays [items arranged in rows and columns]. | Explains and justifies choices of counting and calculation strategies used and compares with the choices of others. | Represents numbers up to at least 100 using different models, illustrations and number expressions. <br> Describes mental strategies used to count or compute. | Represents understanding of numbers up to at least 1000 using different models or representations. <br> Records answers and suggests strategic approaches to calculations (For example: starting with the higher number in a calculation such as $23+75$; compensating in a calculation such as 200-37 where you subtract 37 from 199 and add 1). |


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| Reasoning | Engages with the concept of zero, none, empty, all gone. | Establishes that zero, as a numeral, represents nothing/none in terms of quantity. <br> Identifies the empty set. <br> Subitises, and counts the number of objects in sets up to at least 5 . <br> Orders and distinguishes between sets without counting (For example: through subitising). | Orders sets without counting and check by counting. <br> Subitises, and counts the number of objects in a set 0-10. <br> Recognises that each subsequent number in a sequence is one more than the one that precedes it and one smaller than the one that comes after it. <br> Estimates and counts the number of objects in a set, up to 10. | Estimates the number of objects in a set 0-20 and checks by counting. <br> Subitises 'how many' in various regular and irregular arrangements (For example: dot patterns, arrays, frames and dice), without having to count. <br> Establishes the number immediately before or after another number without having to start at one. | Uses knowledge of simple fact groups [doubles, bonds of 5 and 10 , adding 10] to develop more calculation strategies (For example: near doubling, bridging through 5 and 10, add 1, add 0 , compensation). <br> Checks the reasonableness of calculations by comparing the final solution with the estimate. | Uses mental strategies to estimate and count quantities within at least 100. | Explains and models the part/whole relationship in counting (For example: $\left.1,1^{112}, 2,2^{1 / 2}\right)$. <br> Explains and justifies formal and informal strategies used to calculate with large numbers. <br> Estimates quantities, sums of and differences between sets. |
| Applying and <br> ProblemSolving | Engages with a range of manipulatives and explores how quantifying is applicable in their personal lives. | Investigates the role of quantifying in real-life situations. <br> Explores how counting can be used to solve problems related to everyday life. <br> Undertakes tasks involving counting in other areas of learning. | Begins to use simple number paths and/or lines for counting all, counting on and counting back, as appropriate. <br> Selects and uses appropriate materials to make a variety of sets for a given number. | Selects and uses materials to make sets for a given number up to and beyond 20. <br> Uses a range of counting strategies to determine quantities and justifies their efficiency. | Selects and uses a range of mental strategies to solve problems <br> (For example: change the numbers in the problem or reword the problem). <br> Uses skip counting to extend number patterns. | Explores a variety of counting and estimation strategies to support computation. <br> Uses number lines, benchmarks numbers [ $5,10,100]$, and patterns to count forward and backwards. <br> Solves problems using known number and property facts and knowledge of mental strategies. | Selects an appropriate method for solving a problem for example mental estimation and mental or written strategies (For example: drawing a model, guessing and checking, arithmetic strategy, algebraic strategy). <br> Analyses, evaluates and justifies answers to problems involving estimation and/or calculation. |

