Summer Term 2022

Bridgetown Maths Newsletter

Welcome to the final Maths Newsletter of this academic year. It has been another busy term; here is a round up of Summer's maths events, initiatives and achievements.

Year 4 Multiplication Check

This term, pupils in Year 4 completed their statutory multiplication check comprising of 25 times tables questions, each to be answered in 5 seconds. We are pleased that 70% of pupils scored 20 marks or more with 30% achieving full marks. Rapid recall of times table facts is so important for many areas of maths; multiplication, division, fractions, percentages, ratio and proportion. Pupils should be able to recall all facts for 2-12 times tables by the end of Year 4. Regular practice using Rock Star Times Tables really helps to build confidence and fluency. You might also find the following websites helpful:
https://www.timestables.co.uk/
https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/7-11-years/times-tables

First Mathematics Challenge

In June pupils from Years 3 & 4 took part in the First Mathematics challenge, organised by the Mathematical Association. The challenge comprised of 20 tricky maths questions, to answer in 45 minutes – no mean feat. We are very proud of all participants.

My Money Week

In June, pupils enjoyed participating in My Money Week - a national activity week for primary and secondary schools which provided an opportunity for pupils to develop their knowledge of money matters by engaging in different age appropriate challenges, games, puzzles and projects. The week was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

KES Maths Quiz

Well done to Emily, Olivia, Tilly, Grace, Nayan, Piers, Jacob and Ollie who the represented Bridgetown in the first KES maths quiz since 2019. They did very well against some stiff competition and impressed KES staff and pupils with their mathematical knowledge and teamwork. Next academic year Mrs Luckhurst will be contacting local secondary schools to try and facilitate more maths enrichment opportunities.



Summer Resources

If your child is at a loose end this summer or you would like them to practise their maths skills in preparation for moving up to a new year group, please take a look at the Maths page of the Bridgetown Website. There you will find some resources which help to keep your child's maths skills 'on the boil' over summer so that they come back to school in September ready for new maths content and challenges.
https://www.bridgetown.warwickshire.sch.uk/maths-bridgetown/

Staff training this term

Mrs Luckhurst continued to attend Maths Hub training (part of a three-year programme) to support the school in developing a mastery curriculum for maths. She delivered a staff meeting about the changes to our maths scheme in September and how we can develop our use of maths journals in school.
Intervention TAs (Mrs Whittlestone & Mrs Pateman) along with other Key Stage 1&2 TAs attended Numicon training. Numicon is a really valuable maths resource which helps to develop pupils' understanding of the connections between numbers.
Reception and Key Stage 1 staff have completed the first year of the 'Mastering Number' programme. The project aims to secure firm foundations in the development of good number sense for all children from Reception through to Year 1 and Year 2. We have seen such positive results this year and staff are looking forward to implementing it again next year. We will also be continuing the programme into Year 3 for the Autumn Term.

Maths Survey

We would like your views on maths homework and how we can help you support your child with maths. Please help us to do this by completing a very short survey by 20.7.22

Key Stage 1
https://forms.office.com/r/R87ENjWNz3

Key Stage 2
https://forms.office.com/r/hnCeaMu3uU