

Grindon Infant School Reception Mathematics Medium Term Planning 2025-2026 - SPRING 2



Pupils will be able to:

- Focus on the 'staircase' pattern and ordering numbers.
- Focus on ordering of numbers to 8.
- Use language of less than.
- Focus on 7.
- Doubles explore how some numbers can be made with 2 equal parts.
- Sorting numbers according to attributes odd and even numbers.
- Children will respond to both informal language and common shape names.
- Children enjoy partitioning and combining shapes to make new shapes with 2D and 3D shapes.
- Children will continue, copy and create repeating patterns.

(Strands of Mastering Number - Subitising, Counting, Ordinality and Cardinality, Composition and Comparison.)

	Week 1 02.03.26	Week 2 09.03.26	Week 3 16.03.26	Week 4 23.03.26	Week 5 30.03.26
Mastering	Week 16	Week 17	Week 18	Week 19	Week 20
Number Focus	Practise counting aloud. Revisit the principles of	Subitise arrangements of 6 and NOT 6.	Use skills of conceptual	Practise identifying when 2 sets are equal in number.	Say what the whole is when there are 2 equal parts.
Mon-Thurs	counting. use generalised	Order Numberblock images to 8.	subitising to describe parts of a whole set. Visualise arrangements and	Identify when a double is shown and explain why.	Recognise and talk about ways in which objects are similar to or different from
	statements to describe the '5 and a bit'	Represent 8 as '5 and 3 more'.	use gestures to describe the numbers within a whole set.	Identify when a double is shown and explain why.	each other (colour, size, function, shape, etc.).
	composition of the numbers 6–8.	Describe how to place the numbers 1 to 8 in order.	Investigate ways of making 7 with two parts.	Say what the whole is when there are 2 equal parts.	Sort objects according to attributes described by an
	Investigate the '1 more/1 less' pattern of the base-10 counting system.	Explain how to order quantities to 10.	Use their fingers to make and describe 7 as '5 and 2 more'.	Use objects to make doubles patterns and describe what they can see.	adult. Describe attributes that they notice for a group of
	Begin to order numbers between 1 and 10,	Reason about which numbers are 'more than' others.	Notice when towers are made of 7 or NOT 7 interlocking	Show doubles patterns on their fingers in response to being	objects. Sort and re-sort objects
	noticing the '5 and a bit' structure.	Consolidate their understanding of 8 as '5 and 3 more'.	cubes. Work out the missing part of 7 using the '5 and a bit'	given the whole. Use positional language to describe spatial arrangements of	according to their own attributes. Sort the Numberblocks
	Describe the '1 more/1 less' relationship of numbers to 10.	Notice when numbers are increased or decreased and explain their thinking.	structure.	objects.	using the criteria 'odd
			See that 7 can be composed in different ways.	Visualise doubles patterns to 5 and 5.	blocks' or 'even tops'. Investigate patterns of doubles.

	Work together to order numbers between 1 and 10, noticing the '5 and a bit' structure.		Explain their understanding of the composition of 7.					
Weekly White Rose Maths Focus	Children will respond to both informal language and common shape names.	Children enjoy partitioning and combining shapes to make new shapes with 2D and 3D shapes.	Children enjoy partitioning and combining shapes to make new shapes with 2D and 3D shapes.	Children will continue, copy and create repeating patterns.	Children will continue, copy and create repeating patterns.			
Adult Led Task	Busy Things – Islands – More or Fewer? Game.	Tens frame – five and a bit more to 8– Children to draw on them.	Stick in representations 1 to 8, children to write numerals underneath.	Part/whole to 7. Beanbags and hoops outside. How many are in the hoop, how many outside the hoop? Can we record this?	Doubling – ladybird spots. Assessment Week. Easter Egg hunt			
Suggested Continuous Provision	Children to go on a shape hunt around outside area. Children to explore using tens frames to build numbers to 8. Children to play fishing game.	Play roll/doesn't roll with 3D shapes. Explore representations of 6. Children to sort 6 or not 6. Children to build own numberblocks to 8, can they match the Numicon?	Explore Numicon and Numicon pegs. Use hula hoops and bean bags outside to explore part/whole. Explore ways to make 7.	Use the peg boards to make repeating patterns. Play Pizza Toppings game – equal numbers, more/less.	Butterfly doubles Easter Egg Matching pairs Outdoor natural ABB, ABC patterns. Easter Maths activities. ABC patterns.			
Discrete Problem- Solving Focus	Maths Story Time - https://nrich.maths.org/9718 Link to 'What the Ladybird Heard', use the animals from the story.							
Rhyme of the Month	March – 'I Can Sing a Rainbow'							

Early Learning Goals

Number- Have a deep understanding of number to 10, including the composition of each number. Subitise (recognise quantities without counting)upto5. Automatically recall (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.

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. Explore and represent patterns within numbers up to 10, including evens and odds, double facts and how quantities can be distributed equally.