



At Hambleton CE Primary School, we are very excited to introduce our new strategy for improving children's mental maths skills; we are introducing 'Hambleton's Mental Arithmetic Maths Passports!'

What are Maths Passports?

Maths Passports are a strategy for improving children's mental maths skills.

All passports are adapted to meet the individual needs of children, which will allow them to progress through the passport pages. The aim is to complete all the passport pages by the end of the Spring term of Year 6. They will practice these targets in class on a weekly basis: this will involve a combination of games and activities to improve their recall skills and mental calculation strategies.

Each child will be given a passport with a series of targets set out in continents. These targets get progressively more challenging through the school. The passports tracks progression in basic number skills and the children will develop instant recall skills in all the objectives.

The children will be practising mental maths skills in school and will be tested regularly. But in order to progress quickly and to develop instant recall, your child will need your help.

How can you help?

We would like you to spend a few minutes on a regular basis practising your child's passport skills with them. This could be in the car, at teatime, in the bath, before bed... anytime! It does not need to be a formal, sit down session.

The target to practise will be highlighted on the passport page. Each time your child practises the target at home they can draw a star in the relevant box in the table. There are three stars to achieve for each target. Your child can also colour in a country in the relevant continent on the world map, each time you feel that they have had a 'super practice time' with you. Certificates will be awarded when the 'continent' is completed.

Should you have any queries regarding the 'Hambleton Passports', please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher or myself (Mrs Fogg.)