

Maths Calculations Guide for Parents



Band Four

How can you help your child at home
with their maths?

One of the key learning principles behind maths at Swain House Primary is the:

concrete-pictorial- abstract approach (CPA)

Concrete representation

Things you can pick up and move, for example, dice, counters, shells, pebbles, buttons and straws...You can use any objects that you have at home too!

Pictorial representation

A picture to represent mathematics, such as a calculation (printed in books or drawn)

Abstract representation

Numbers 1, 2, 3, 4 and symbols +, -, x, ÷, <, >, = etc.