## Northway Primary School

## Mathematics Calculation Policy - Division

The Concrete Pictorial Abstract (CPA) approach is a system of learning that uses physical and visual aids to build a child's understanding of abstract topics.

- Concrete: New concepts are introduced through the use of physical objects or practical equipment e.g. Numicon or Base 10. These can be physically handled, enabling children to explore different mathematical concepts.
- Pictorial: Once children are confident with a concept using concrete resources, they progress to drawing pictorial representations of the objects. This stage encourages children to make a mental connection between the physical object and abstract levels.
- Abstract: Once children have a secure understanding of the concept through the use of concrete resources and visual images, they are then able to move on to the abstract stage. Here, children are using abstract symbols to model problems - usually numerals. To be able to access this stage effectively, children need access to the previous two stages alongside it.

For the most effective learning to take place, children need to constantly go back and forth between each of the stages. This ensures concepts are reinforced and understood.

[^0]|  | NC <br> Objective <br> Pupils should be taught to: | Concrete | Pictorial | Abstract |
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| $\begin{aligned} & \stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{\vdots} \\ & \stackrel{\vdots}{0} \\ & \stackrel{\ddot{U}}{\ddot{\sim}} \end{aligned}$ | Development <br> Matters: <br> Automatically <br> recall some <br> number bonds to <br> 10, including <br> double facts <br> Explore and represent patterns within numbers up to 10 , including evens and odds, double facts and how quantities can be distributed equally. | Annie has 8 apples. She shares them into 2 baskets. How many apples are there in each basket? |  | 4 apples in each basket <br> Reception do not cover the abstract of this they explore division in terms of sharing and grouping, but do not use the mathematical symbol for division. |
| Y1 | Solve one-step problems involving multiplication and division, by calculating the answer using concrete objects, pictorial representations and arrays with the support of the teacher. | Annie has 10 apples. She shares them into five baskets. How many apples are there in each basket? |  | 2 apples in each basket. <br> Y1 do not cover the abstract of this - they explore division in terms of sharing and grouping, but are not expected (according to the National Curriculum) to use the |


|  |  | Children will begin to use arrays, with the support of the teacher when they are ready: | Children will begin to use arrays, with the support of the teacher when they are ready: | mathematical symbol for division. |
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| y2 | Calculate mathematical statements for multiplication and division within the multiplication tables and write them using the multiplication (x), division ( $\because$ ) and equals ( $=$ ) signs <br> Show that multiplication of two numbers can be done in any order (commutative) and division of one number by another cannot |  |  | $20 \div 5=4$ |




## Step 2

Dividing by grouping (into 'lots of the divisor') 2 digits by 1 digit WITH REGROUPING


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Step 3
3 digits by 1 digit - one lot of regrouping


Remainders


Any ONES left over that cannot be put into a complete group of 4 are recorded as a remainder.





[^0]:    Children should be using concrete resources when covering place value objectives in Maths lessons and making numbers with these so that they learn the value of each concrete resource. This will then support them when using the same concrete resources for division methods (see below).

