BUTTSBURY JUNIOR SCHOOL

AN ACADEMY SCHOOL

Mathematics Calculation Policy

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Maximum Effort for Maximum Achievement

About our Calculation Policy

This policy has been written in response to the National Curriculum September 2014 and aims to ensure consistency in the mathematical written methods and approaches to calculation across the school.

At Buttsbury Junior School we believe that children should be introduced to the processes of calculation through practical, oral and mental activities. As children begin to understand the underlying concepts, they develop ways of recording their workings to support their thinking and calculation methods, use particular methods that apply to special cases and learn to interpret and use the signs and symbols involved.

Strategies

Choosing the appropriate strategy and recording jottings in Mathematics is an important tool both for furthering the understanding of ideas and for communicating these ideas to others. The aim is that children use mental methods when appropriate, but for calculations that they cannot do in their heads, they use an efficient written method accurately and with confidence. A useful written method is one that helps children carry out a calculation and can be understood by others. Written methods are complementary to mental methods and should not be seen as separate from them. It is important children acquire secure mental methods of calculation and one efficient written method each for calculation for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, which they know they can rely on when mental methods are not appropriate.

Progression

The majority of children will move through the policy at broadly the same pace. However, decisions about when to progress should always be based on the security of children's understanding and their readiness to progress to the next stage (stage before age). Children who grasp concepts rapidly should be challenged through being offered deepening problems that are thought stimulating and applicable to real life. However, those who are not sufficiently fluent at a particular stage should not be progressed. It is essential that children's mental methods in all four operations are secure and they are able to use a variety of strategies as appropriate.

This document is organised according to age related expectation, however it may be necessary for teachers to consult with lower year groups for children in order to meet their needs at the stage these children are working at. By the end of Year 6, children are expected to use the formal methods for the four operations.

Addition and Subtraction

Year 3

- Add and subtract numbers with up to three digits, using formal written methods of columnar addition and subtraction

Addition

265 + 164 = 429

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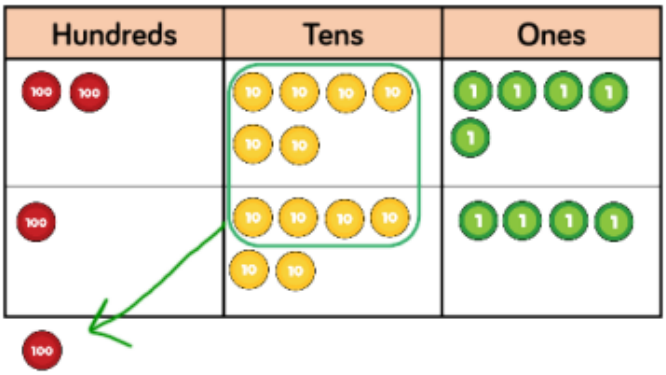	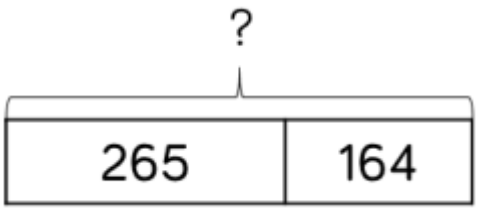	265 + 164 429 1

Subtraction

435 – 273 = 162

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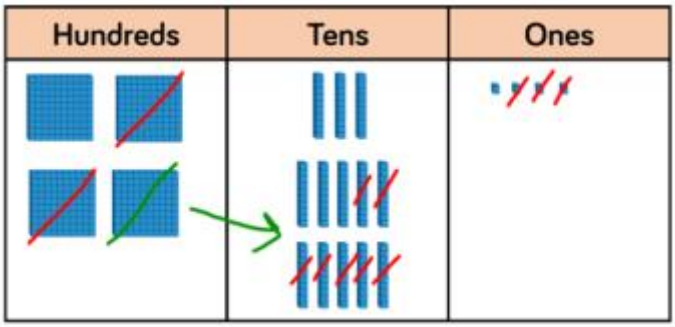	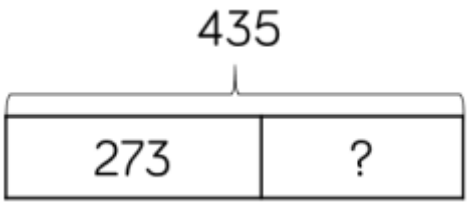	3 1 435 – 273 162

Year 4

- Add and subtract numbers with up to 4 digits using the formal written methods of columnar addition and subtraction where appropriate

Addition

1,378 + 2,148 = 3,526

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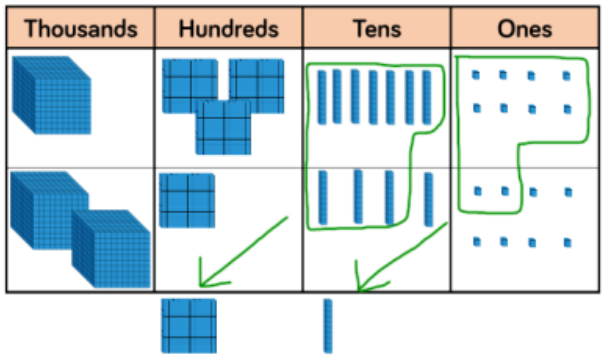	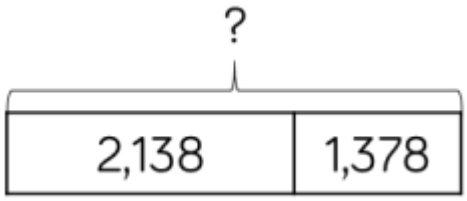	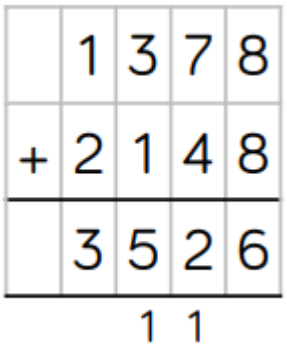

Subtraction

4,357 – 2,735 = 1,622

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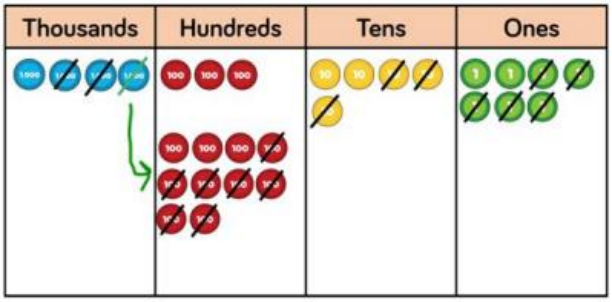	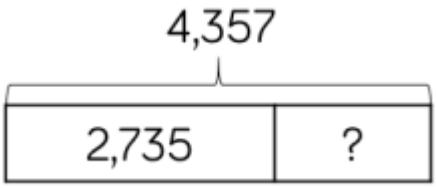	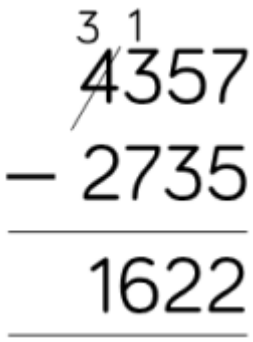

Year 5 and 6

- Add and subtract whole numbers with more than 4 digits, including using formal written methods (columnar addition and subtraction)

Addition

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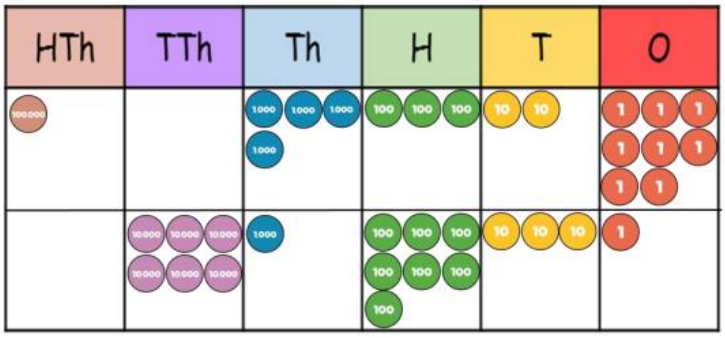	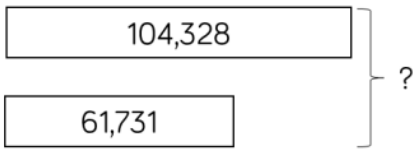	1 0 4 3 2 8 + 6 1 7 3 1 1 6 6 0 5 9 1

Subtraction

294,382 – 182,501 = 111,881

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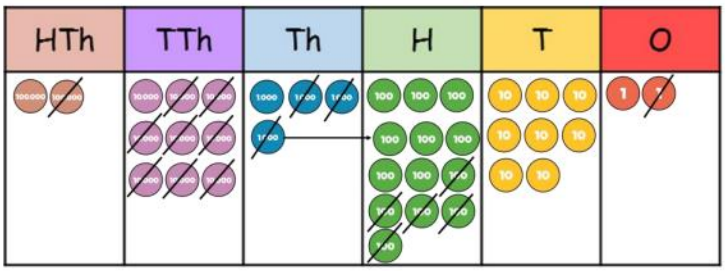	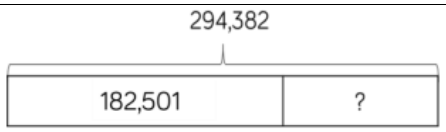	2 9 3 4 13 8 2 – 1 8 2 5 0 1 1 1 1 8 8 1

Year 6

- add and subtract whole numbers with more than 4 digits, including decimals, including using formal written methods (columnar addition and subtraction)

Addition

3.65 + 2.41 = 6.06

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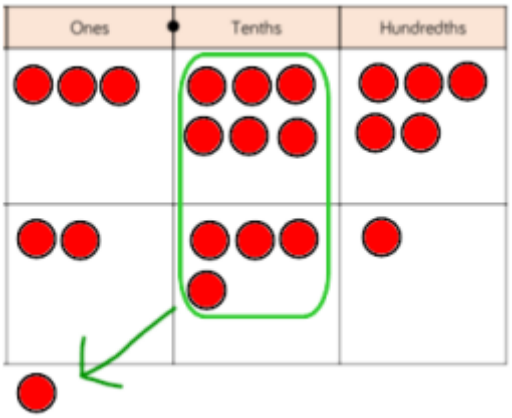	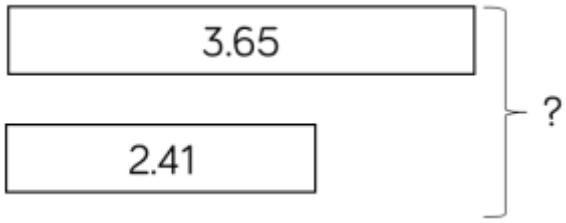	3.65 + 2.41 6.06 1

Subtraction

5.43 – 2.7 = 2.73

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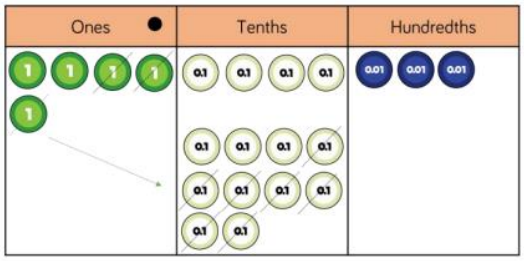	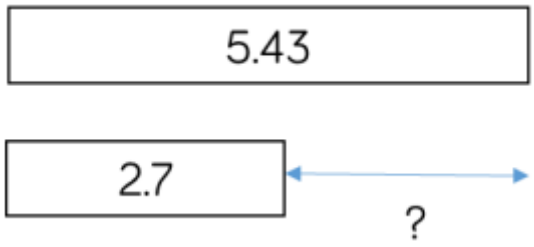	4 1 5.43 – 2.7 2.73

Multiplication and Division

Year 3

- Multiply using multiplication tables that they know, including 2-digit numbers x 1 digit numbers

5x4 = 20

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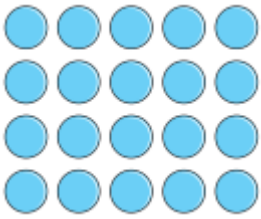
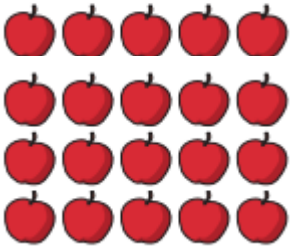
 Display findings using arrays		5 x 4 = 20

- Divide using multiplication tables that they know.

Concrete	Pictorial	Abstract
Arrange the counters in groups of 3 and complete the division. ____ ÷ 3 = ____		18 ÷ 3 = 6

- Divide 2-digits by 1-digit (sharing and no exchange)

48 ÷ 2 = 24

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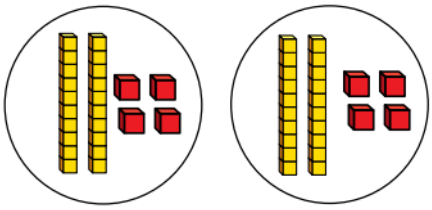 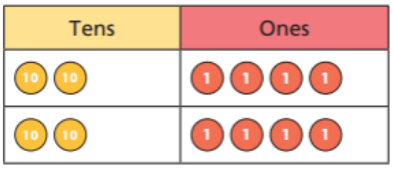	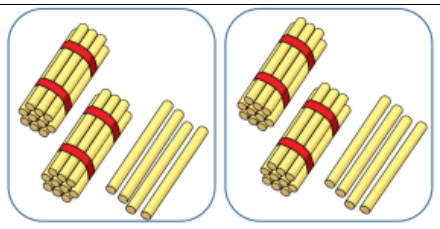 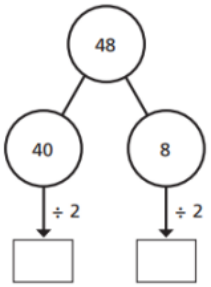	48 ÷ 2 = 24

Year 3/4

- Multiply 2-digit numbers by 1-digit numbers

34 x 5 = 170

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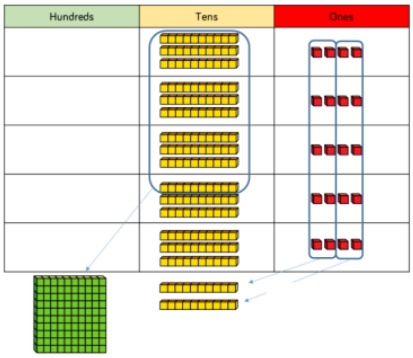	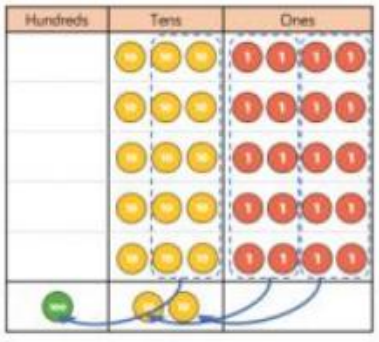	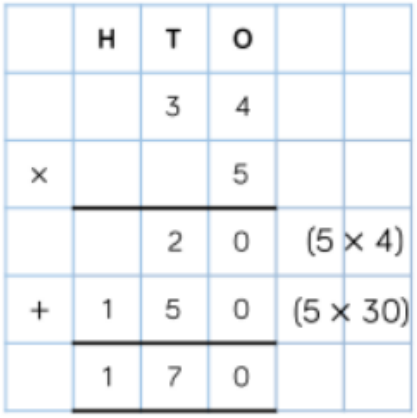

Year 3 & 4

- Divide 2-digits by 1-digit (sharing with exchange)

52 ÷4 = 13

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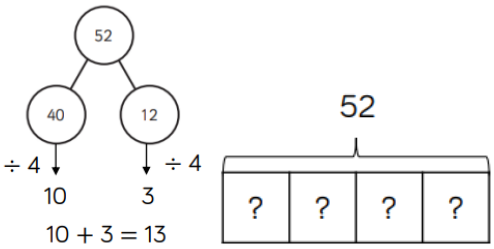
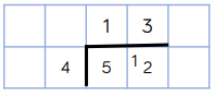
		52 ÷4 = 13 

Year 3 & 4

- Divide 2-digits by 1-digit (sharing with remainders)

53 ÷4 = 13 r 1

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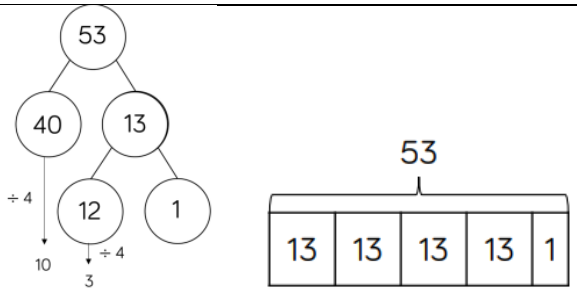
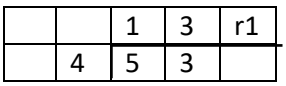
		53 ÷4 = 13 r 1 

Year 4

- Multiply 3-digit numbers by 1-digit numbers

245 x 4 = 980

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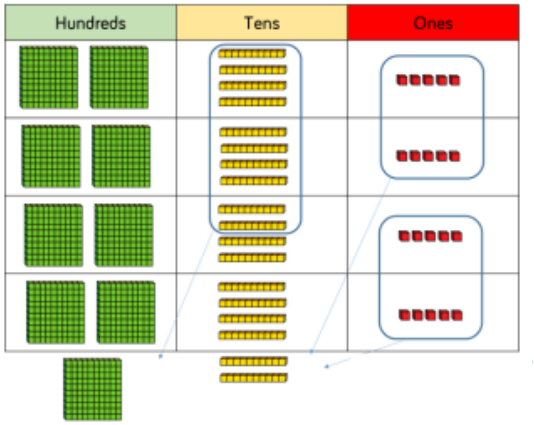	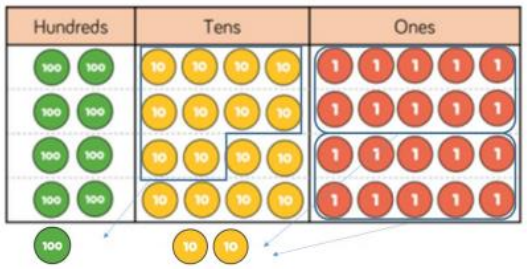	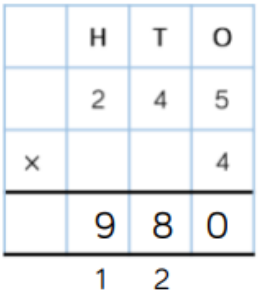

- Divide 3-digit numbers by 1-digit numbers (sharing)

856 ÷ 4 = 214

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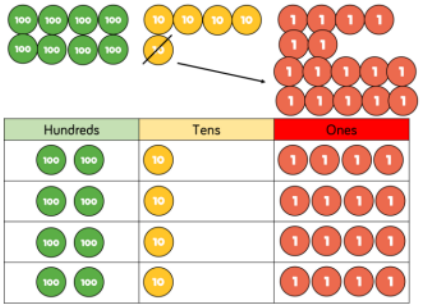
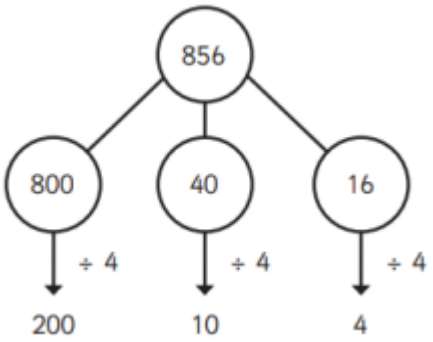
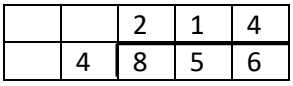
		856 ÷ 4 = 214 

Year 5

- Multiply 4-digit numbers by 1-digit numbers

1,826 x 3 = 5,478

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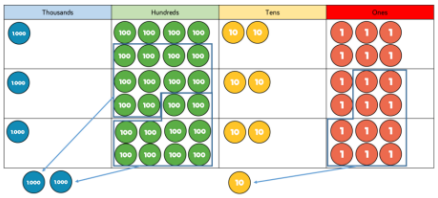		

	Th	H	T	O
	1	8	2	6
×				3
	5	4	7	8
	2		1	

- Multiply 2-digit numbers by 2-digit numbers

22 x 31 = 682

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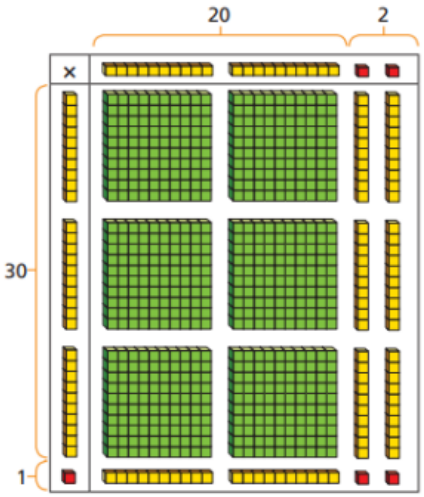 (Area model – to support mental calculations)		Method 1:

×	20	2
30	600	60
1	20	2

Method 2:

	H	T	O
		2	2
×		3	1
		2	2
	6	6	0
	6	8	2

There is an expectation that all children move onto the Formal Written method (Method 2)

- Multiply 3-digit numbers by 2-digit numbers

234 x 32 = 7,488

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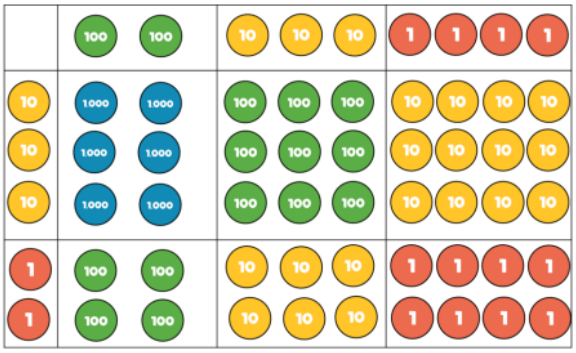		Method 1: × | 200 | 30 | 4 30 | 6,000 | 900 | 120 2 | 400 | 60 | 8 Method 2: Th H T O 2 3 4 × 3 2 4 6 8 $^{1}7$ $^{1}0$ 2 0 7 4 8 8 There is an expectation that all children move onto the Formal Written method (Method 2)

- Divide 4-digits by 1-digit (grouping)

8532 ÷ 2= 4266

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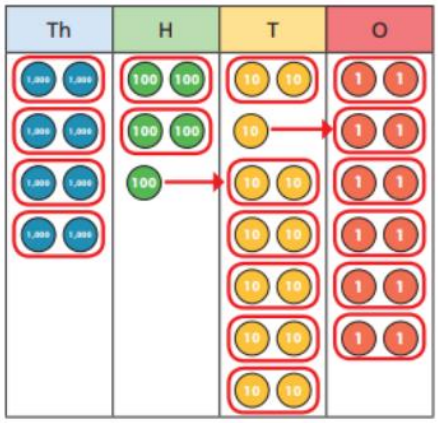		4 2 6 6 2 | 8 5 $^{1}3$ $^{1}2$

Year 5 & 6

- Multiply 4-digit numbers by 2-digit numbers

2,739 x 28 = 76,692

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		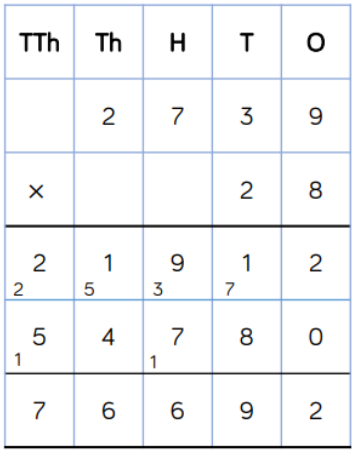 When multiplying 4-digits by 2-digits, children should be confident in using the formal written method.

Year 6

- Divide 4-digit numbers by 2-digit numbers

432 ÷ 12 = 36 and 7335 ÷ 15 = 489

Concrete	Pictorial	Abstract
		3-digits by 2-digits 0 3 6 12 | 4 | 4 3 | 7 2 4-digits by 2-digits 15 30 45 60 75 90 105 120 135 150 0 4 8 9 15 | 7 | 7 3 | 13 3 | 13 5

- Divide multi-digits by 2-digit numbers (long division – chunking)

7,335 ÷ 15 = 489

Concrete	Pictorial	Abstract
		0 4 8 9 15 | 7 3 3 5 – 6 0 0 0 (×400) 1 3 3 5 – 1 2 0 0 (×80) 1 3 5 – 1 3 5 (×9) 0 1 × 15 = 15 2 × 15 = 30 3 × 15 = 45 4 × 15 = 60 5 × 15 = 75 10 × 15 = 150

- Divide multi-digits by 2-digit numbers (long division – chunking) with remainders

372 ÷ 15 = 24 r12 / 24 $\frac{4}{5}$

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		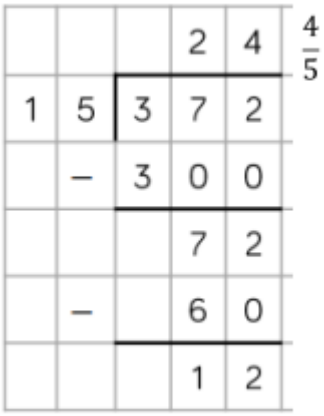 $1 \times 15 = 15$ $2 \times 15 = 30$ $3 \times 15 = 45$ $4 \times 15 = 60$ $5 \times 15 = 75$ $10 \times 15 = 150$