St Ignatius RC Primary School
Calculation Policy
Multiplication

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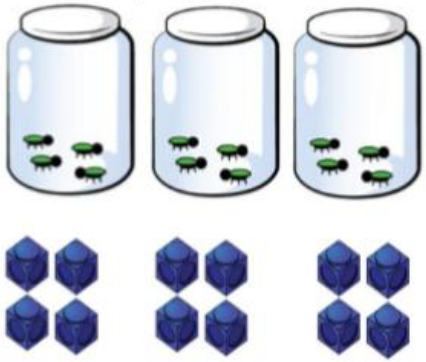
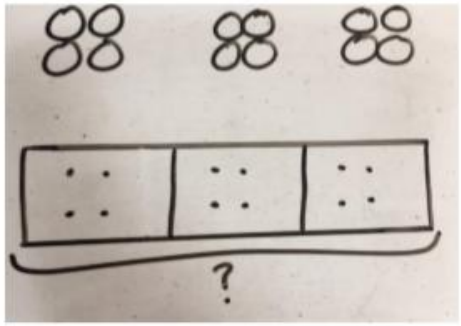
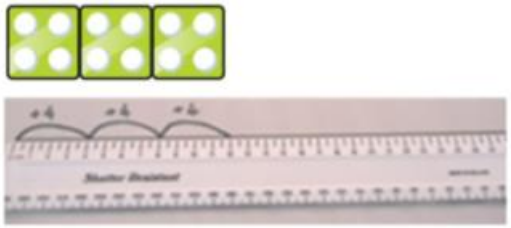
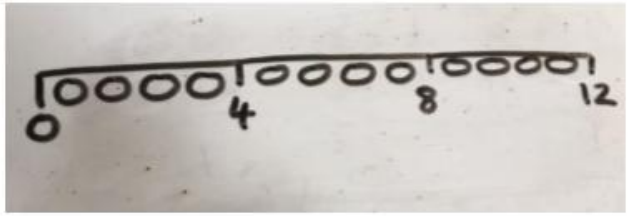
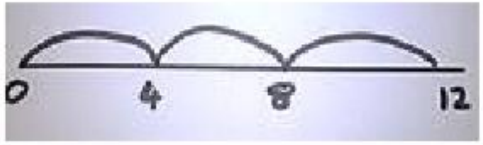
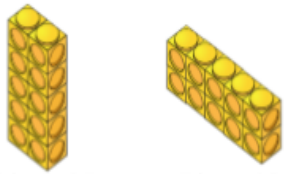
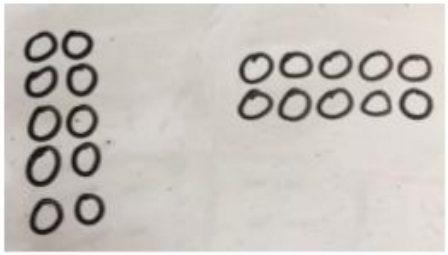
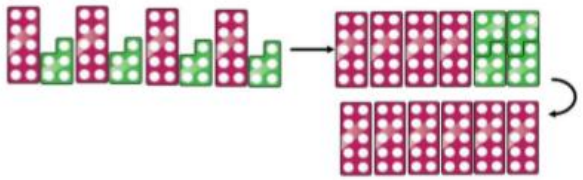
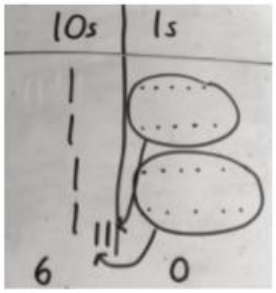
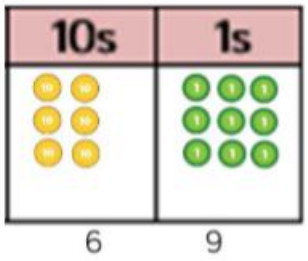
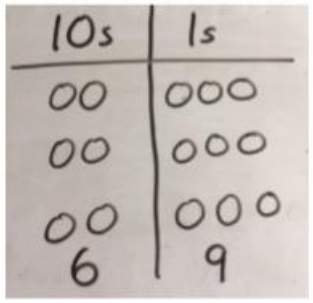
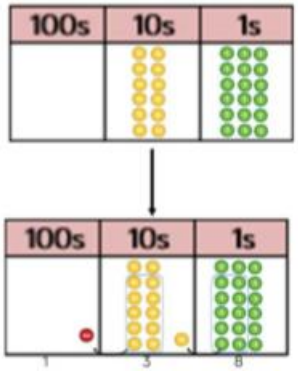
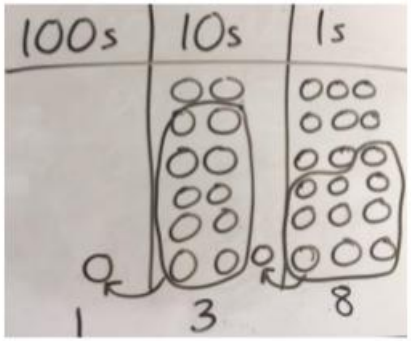
	Concrete	Pictorial	Abstract
Repeated addition	**Repeated grouping/repeated addition** 3 × 4 4 + 4 + 4 There are 3 equal groups, with 4 in each group. 	Children to represent the practical resources in a picture and use a bar model. 	$3 \times 4 = 12$ $4 + 4 + 4 = 12$
Numberline	**Number lines to show repeated groups-** 3 × 4  Cuisenaire rods can be used too.	Represent this pictorially alongside a number line e.g.: 	Abstract number line showing three jumps of four. 3 × 4 = 12 

Arrays	**Use arrays to illustrate commutativity** counters and other objects can also be used. $2 \times 5 = 5 \times 2$  2 lots of 5 5 lots of 2	Children to represent the arrays pictorially. 	Children to be able to use an array to write a range of calculations e.g. $10 = 2 \times 5$ $5 \times 2 = 10$ $2 + 2 + 2 + 2 + 2 = 10$ $10 = 5 + 5$
Partitioning	**Partition to multiply** using Numicon, base 10 or Cuisenaire rods. 4×15 	Children to represent the concrete manipulatives pictorially. 	Children to be encouraged to show the steps they have taken. 4 x 15 10 5 10 x 4 = 40 5 x 4 = 20 40 + 20 = 60
Formal method	**Formal column method** with place value counters (base 10 can also be used.) 3×23 	Children to represent the counters pictorially. 	Children to record what it is they are doing to show understanding. 3×23 20 3 $3 \times 20 = 60$ $3 \times 3 = 9$ $60 + 9 = 69$ $\begin{array}{r} 23 \\ \times\ 3 \\ \hline 69 \end{array}$

Formal method with exchange	**Formal column method** with place value counters. 6 x 23 	Children to represent the counters/base 10, pictorially e.g. the image below. 	Formal written method 6 x 23 = 23 × 6 138 1 1
3dx3d	When children start to multiply 3d × 3d and 4d × 2d etc., they should be confident with the abstract: To get 744 children have solved 6 × 124. To get 2480 they have solved 20 × 124.		1 2 4 × 2 6 7 4 4 1 2 2 4 8 0 3 2 2 4 1 1 Answer: 3224