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Dear Parents/Carers,

Within school, we use White Rose Maths and they have released a free app called '1-Minute Maths' to help children to learn number confidence and fluency using a method they can enjoy. **There is no expectation for children to do this at home, this is just for your information and maybe something for you to download and give to your child to engage in and improve their maths skills at the same time.**

What is 1 minute Maths app?

The 1 minute Maths app has easy to follow tasks delivered in engaging, bite-sized chunks, each one teaching basic number. It is simple for children to use independently, both in class and at home. Primarily, the app aims to support Reception and Key Stage 1 pupils. While Reception introduces basic number, it's during school Years 1 and 2 when children learn the four rules - adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing and also 'Subitising', the method of instantly recognising items in a group without counting. 1-Minute Maths only includes tasks based on these core number concepts.



Each 1-minute task gives children engaging and targeted practice in basic number. The app generates questions randomly so your child never sees the same ones in sequence – meaning they learn the concept and not a series of answers. Once a task completes, answers are presented on the screen giving your child instant feedback. It's so simple to use and, most of all, lots of FUN! What's more, the app has no specific starting point, so a child can pick up and play at any time, with no set place to start. Accessible AND easy!

First, **download the app for FREE** – it's available for use on Apple, Android and Kindle devices.

Reception children: We suggest your child begins with tasks about subitising. It's one of the most critical number skills a young child develops – recognising number groups without counting - making it a perfect place for Reception children to start.

Year 1 children: Here, first check to see the child has mastered subitising. Next, we recommend moving onto tasks focused on adding or subtracting number bonds to 10.

Year 2 children: For these children, we suggest trying tasks focused on adding or subtracting number bonds to 20. Again, we recommend you first check your child's ability with number bonds to 10 before starting these tasks to 20.

We hope you enjoy using 1-Minute Maths at home!



Please follow this link to find out more information and download the app!

<https://whiterosemaths.com/resources/1-minute-maths#download>

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Regards

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