



1st November 2021

Dear Parent/Guardian,

On **Monday 8th November** we will be holding a number day for children in Nursery, Reception and Year 1 and 2. This will re-launch our access to the Numbots learning app that our children have access to. This also coincides with the beginning of math's week – please see our school story on class dojo over the week for challenges. On this day children are invited to attend school dressed as their favourite number. The day will involve lots of special number work to consolidate learning from this term.

What is Numbots?

NumBots is an online game and playing little and often will significantly improve your child's recall and understanding of number bonds and addition and subtraction facts. These are critical foundations in maths so we are excited by the impact NumBots will have.

Logging In

The children have been shown how to login and have brought home a username label in their reading record. They might need some help navigating to the website and entering the details but once they're in, they just need some quiet space to get on with the games.

Please ask your child's teacher if they are struggling to login.

Important: please don't allow siblings, friends or family to answer for them but do support your child if they're stuck.

Little and often

In order to get the best out of NumBots children should regularly play for short bursts so we would ask you to give them 3 minutes, four five times a week.

Game Types

1. Story Mode – the emphasis is on learning the ideas and concepts behind addition and subtraction so it features more diagrams, shapes and question styles.
2. Challenge Mode – the emphasis is more on speed of recall of key facts, like number bonds to 10, doubling small numbers or adding & taking away in your head.

We look forward to seeing you dressed as your favourite numbers on Monday 8th November.

Yours sincerely,

Miss C Dovey
Assistant Headteacher

