

# Year 1 Number Screening Check

Information for parents and carers



## What is the Year 1 Number Screening Check?

The Year 1 Number Screening Check is a short statewide assessment that tells teachers how your child is progressing in early number sense. This screening check observes how your child can recognise numbers, order numbers, count, compare, and add and subtract.

Your child will sit with a teacher and will be asked to answer approximately 30 questions. The check normally takes **10 to 15** minutes. The Year 1 Number Screening Check is carefully designed not to be stressful for your child. If your child is struggling the teacher will stop the check.

The main purpose of the Year 1 Number Screening Check is to provide your child's teacher with information which will allow them to plan for your child's learning. All Year 1 children will be individually assessed by a teacher.

Contact your school if you have any questions about the Year 1 Number Screening Check.

## What is number sense?

Number sense is the ability to understand, relate to, and work with numbers effectively to participate in daily life and make sense of the world. Some children find number sense challenging, so it is important these children are identified quickly. This way, teachers can plan for any specific support they may need.

## Why is number sense important?

A good foundation in number sense supports your child to understand more complex mathematical concepts in the later years of primary school and high school.

## Telephone interpreter service

If you need interpreter assistance to contact the school, please call 131 450, tell the operator what language you need and ask them to phone the school. The operator will get an interpreter on the line to assist you with your conversation. You will not be charged for this service.