



SPB Maths Newsletter

Autumn 1 Newsletter: Issue 1

Can you be a maths leader in our school?



The half-term weekly maths puzzle challenge winners:

- * Trev Bentley
- * Donna Zheng

Well done to all the parents who took part in the past two challenges. Loads of correct answers from numerous parents and great reasoning behind the answers. If you haven't won this time - resilience is key! E-mail your weekly responses to:

maths@paschalbaylon.org.uk

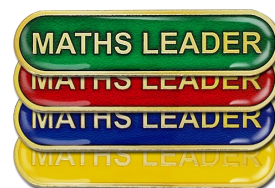
We have school councilors, we have Rights Respecting school leaders, reading ambassadors and eco-warriors. We think now is the perfect time to have maths leaders in our school.

Are you confident with numbers? Able to work resiliently when solving problems? Then this opportunity is for you!

You will be given your very own badge - similar to the ones shown on the image

and will be given responsibility for supporting other children in other year groups as well as reminding teachers to update their maths displays showing how we used maths at the weekend.

We are running this opportunity initially for years 4 - 6. When the leaders are trained and up-to-speed with the day-to-day errands of the role, we may roll this out to younger year groups.



If you are interested in applying for this position, please speak to Miss Horton when you return from your half-term break and she will provide you with more information.

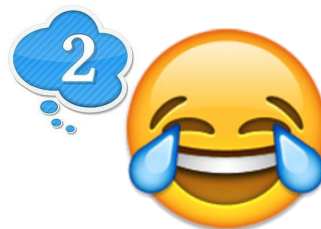
Maths jokes or riddles!

Think you're funny do you?

For the next newsletter, we want your best maths jokes or riddles to be displayed.

As long as they are mathematical related, and make us chuckle, then it will be featured in the next issue. Ask your family and friends to

help you with this one.



Mind workout

Find a path that adds up to 23!
Use your addition skills to solve this brain teaser!

	2	3	2	1	7	9	1	Finish
	3	8	7	1	3	2	1	
	4	4	2	4	3	2	4	
	5	2	2	5		5	7	
Start	2	3	1	4	2	1	3	

figure ME out!!!

my age

3×10

birth month

$10 - 1$

birth date

The 8th prime number

letters in my name

$12 \div 2$

ME



people in my family

The square root of 25

number of pets

3578×0

my house number

$5 \times 2 - 4$

my shoe size

7×1

The National Numeracy Challenge - for parents

The following information is taken from the The National Numeracy Challenge page:

The Challenge is a confidential and informal website which helps you to assess your numeracy, learn everyday maths, gain confidence, and work towards getting the Essentials of Numeracy – the basic skills which you need in daily life and the work-place.

How it works

Click the 'Take the Challenge' button to get started and register your details. Don't worry – these are kept

private! You'll then be asked six short questions so that we can understand how you feel about maths.

Take the Check-Up. This is a set of questions which helps you find out the overall numeracy level you're working at, as well as your strengths and weaknesses. It usually takes 20 to 40 minutes, but you can take as long as you need. You can log out and come back to it too. If you score 80 or more, then you've already got the Essentials of Numeracy and you can print a certificate or claim a digital badge.

Get a target. If you score 79 or less, then you'll get a target to work towards.

Learn. The Challenge then directs you to the right learning resources for you. Take your time, visit the resources and learn everyday maths online at your own pace.

Retake the Check-Up. When you feel ready, re-take the Check-Up to see if you have reached your target yet.

