

### **Leaving Numbers Count**

After one term in Numbers Count, most children return to their class as more confident and independent learners. They go on to make good progress in their class lessons.

All children's progress is carefully monitored. If there is a dip in progress, the Numbers Count teacher and the class teacher will work together to plan the best support for your child. If the dip carries on, the school may be able to give your child more time on Numbers Count or may make other arrangements to support them.

### **Numbers Count Video**

If you and your child would like to watch a video about Numbers Count, go to <u>https://everychildcounts.edgehill.ac.uk/</u>. Click on 'ECC for Parents' and then 'Numbers Count & 1<sup>st</sup>Class@Number' Or you can ask the Numbers Count teacher to show you the video at school.

# What do parents say about Numbers Count?

Ebony didn't like going to school before she had Numbers Count. She was always like, "Oh, I'm feeling poorly". But now she can't wait for Mondays again.

Now she's always counting and talking about maths at home and she is very confident about it. She'll actually get her maths homework out and do it, sometimes without us even knowing!

Since he started Numbers Count, my son Isaac is a changed little boy. He talks excitedly about going to school and what he will be doing. He asks me and his Dad to write him some sums to do. He can say his times tables up to seven.

I can't believe how much Isaac has progressed in such a short time!

## What do children say about it?

'I enjoy learning more about numbers. We have lots of fun and play games. I have learned how to double and halve numbers.'



### A Guide for Parents and Carers



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### What is Numbers Count?

Numbers Count is a programme that improves children's mathematical skills. It is a part of the national Every Child Counts programme.

If your child is working at a level below their classmates, they may be selected for a place on the Numbers Count programme. This means that they will receive intensive 1to-1 or very small group support from a specially trained Numbers Count teacher. The teacher will aim to accelerate your child's learning so that they can work much closer to the level of their class.

Numbers Count will focus on improving your child's mathematical skills but will also help them to develop ways of learning that will help in all subjects.



### What is it like?

The programme is different for every child. The teaching is specially designed and delivered by the Numbers Count teacher to meet your child's individual needs.

A Numbers Count programme usually lasts for about one term. Your child will receive a 30-minute lesson 3, 4 or 5 days a week. The time slot of each lesson is varied throughout the week to ensure the least disruption to their class work.

The lesson takes place in a special Numbers Count area. It is highly interactive and practical. The Numbers Count teacher will help your child to develop mathematical vocabulary and to talk about how they do mathematics.

Your child will still have a daily mathematics lesson with their class teacher, who will work together with the Numbers Count teacher to plan your child's work for Numbers Count and for class-based lessons.

Your child will take a short test with their Numbers Count teacher at the start and end of the programme, to measure their progress. The Numbers Count teacher will also observe your child during their class-based lessons to find out about how they learn mathematics.

## The role of parents and carers

Before your child starts Numbers Count, you will be invited to meet the Numbers Count teacher. This is to explain the programme and to find out more about your child. There will also be a discussion of your role in getting your child to school on time every day and supporting your child's homework.

When your child has started Numbers Count, they will sometimes bring home a mathematics activity to practise what they have learned. You will be asked to help them to do the activity and to talk about it.

Later on, you will be invited to watch your child having a Numbers Count lesson. This will give you a chance to see how much they have learned and how they are being taught.

