# Mathematical Vocabulary 

## Year 2



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Maths is its own language. Sometimes that language looks like written word and sometimes it looks like symbols, but it is a language and it must be learned for math fluency and competency. If your child does not have a good understanding of key mathematical vocabulary, it can hinder them in making good progress in maths and in other areas of the curriculum.

At St Mary's, we explicitly teach maths vocabulary, giving it a context and allowing children to apply it in a variety of problems.

Listed below are the key mathematical terms your child will learn this year. This is the minimum we expect children to learn; however, we know children are curious and will undoubtedly want to learn more and we encourage this.

| Vocabulary | Definition | Example |
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| Number and Place Value |  |  |
| Calculate | To compute or work out mathematically. | 'Can you calculate the answer to 13 + 4?' |
| Column | A vertical arrangement of numbers or objects. | '24 has two tens - I will place them into the tens column'. |
| Continue | To carry something on. | 'Can you continue this pattern? $15,20,25,30,35 \ldots . .$ |
| Efficient | Well-organised. Choosing an efficient computation strategy requires consideration of the numbers involved and will normally utilise 'known facts'. | 'I will use my number bonds knowledge to calculate $22+7$ efficiently. I know that $2+7$ is equal to 9 , so the answer is 29. That's more efficient that counting on seven.' |
| > Greater than | The > symbol means "greater than". It shows that one number or value is larger than another number. | 'Ten is greater than three' $10>3^{\prime}$ |
| Hundreds | The number equivalent to the product of ten and ten; ten more than ninety; a three-digit number. |  |
| < Less than | The symbol < means that one number is smaller than the other number. | 'Thee is less than 10. $3<10^{\prime}$ |


| One-, two- or threedigit number | One-digit numbers are the numbers 0-9; two-digit numbers are the numbers 10 to 99 ; threedigit numbers are the numbers 100 to 999 | 'Can you give me a two-digit number greater than 46?’ |
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| Operation | A mathematical process. The four mathematical operations are addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. | ' $4+2=6$. The operation is addition.' |
| Place value | A system for writing numbers, in which the value of a digit is defined by its position within the number. | 'In the number 52 written in base ten, The digit five has a value of 50 and the digit two has a value of 2 . |
| Predict | A prediction is a reasonable guess as to what will happen. | 'I predict the next number in the sequence will be 45. $30,35,40 \ldots .$ |
| Representation | A very general relationship that expresses similarities (or equivalences) between mathematical objects or structures. |  |
| Rule | Rule is the procedure that a count must follow. | 'The rule in the sequence below is add 2. $31,33,35,37,39^{\prime} .$ |
| Sequence | A list of numbers or objects in a special order. | 'The sequence below starts at 3 and increases by 4 every time. $3,7,11,15^{\prime}$ |
| Twenty-first, twentysecond ... | 'Twenty-first, twenty-second...nin ty ninth, one-hundredth'. |  |
| Twenty-one, twentytwo... | 'Twenty-one, twenty-two, twenty three...ninety-nine, one-hundred'. |  |
| Addition and subtraction |  |  |
| Facts | A fact family can be defined as a group of math facts or equations created using the same set of numbers. | $\begin{aligned} & \prime 34+13=47 \\ & 13+34=47 \\ & 47-34=13 \\ & 47-13=34 \end{aligned}$ |
| Inverse operations | Opposite operations that 'undo' each other. | 'Addition and subtraction are inverse operations.' |


| Near double | When two numbers involved in an addition are close in value, such as $23+22$. The numbers can be treated as exact doubles, followed by compensating. | 'To calculate $23+22$, I can use the near double strategy. I can double 22 and then add one more. |
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| Regroup | To rearrange groups in place value to carry out an operation. | $\begin{array}{rcr}  & \begin{array}{r} \text { regroup } \\ 212 \\ 32 \end{array} & 32 \\ 32 & 32 \\ -15 & -15 & -15 \\ \hline ? & & \end{array}$ |
| Renaming | Writing a number in an equivalent form, usually in terms of its placevalue parts. |  Tens Ones <br> 28   <br> 15   <br> 43 $\boxed{\square}$  |
| Multiplication and division |  |  |
| Division fact | Division number sentences related to times tables knowledge. | '20 $\div 5=4$ is a division fact'. |
| Equal groups of | A group is an equal group if it has the same number of items as all of the other groups. | (2n) <br> EQUAL GROUPS <br> Each group has the same number of objects. |
| Left over | When dividing in maths, the groups can be the same size. Sometimes there may be a leftover. |  |


| Multiplication fact | The answer to a multiplication calculation. For example in $3 \times 3=$ 9 , the multiplication fact is 9 . | ' $10 \times 7=70$ is a multiplication fact'. |
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| Multiplication table | A list that shows the results of multiplying certain numbers by each other. | TLMES TABLE $\begin{aligned} & 2 \times 0=0 \\ & 2 \times 1=2 \\ & 2 \times 2=4 \\ & 2 \times 3=6 \\ & 2 \times 4=8 \\ & 2 \times 5=10 \\ & 2 \times 6=12 \\ & 2 \times 7=14 \\ & 2 \times 8=16 \\ & 2 \times 9=18 \\ & 2 \times 10=20 \\ & 2 \times 11=22 \\ & 2 \times 12=24 \end{aligned}$ |
| Times | An arithmetic operation that is the inverse of division. | 'Four times three equals twelve'. |
| Fractions |  |  |
| Denominator | The number written below the vinculum in a fraction. In a measure context, it indicates the number of equal parts into which the whole is divided. In a division context, it is the divisor. | $\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2}=\text { Numerator } \\ & 2=\text { Denominator } \end{aligned}$ |
| Equivalence | The condition of being equal or equivalent in value, worth. |  |
| Mixed number | A number consisting of an integer and a proper fraction. | $1 \frac{3}{4}$ <br> 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ |


| Non-unit fraction | A fraction with a numerator <br> greater than one. |
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| Numerator | The number written above the <br> vinculum in a fraction. In a <br> measure context, it indicates the <br> specified number of parts out of <br> the whole. In a division context, it <br> is the dividend. |
| One of three equal |  |
| parts | When a shape is divided into non-unit fraction.' <br> three equal parts, each part is <br> called a third. |
| Two quarters, three |  |
| quarters | When a shape is divided into four <br> equal parts, each part is called a <br> quarter. Two of these parts are <br> called two quarters. Three of <br> these parts is called three <br> quarters. <br> one. |
| One third, two thirds |  |
| Two halves | When a shape is divided into <br> three equal parts, each part is <br> called a third. Two of these parts <br> are called two thirds. |
| Thing. |  |


| Vinculum | A horizontal line that separates the numerator and the denominator in a fraction. | $\frac{1}{4} \longleftarrow \text { vinculum }$ |
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| Length |  |  |
| Centimetre | A measure of length. It is about the width of a fingernail. <br> There are 100 centimetres in a metre. <br> The abbreviation is cm . | 'The length of the line is $\mathbf{2 0} \mathrm{cm}$ '. |
| Furthest | At or by the greatest distance. | 'The child in the red jumper is furthest away from the tree.' |
| Tape Measure | A length of tape or thin flexible metal, marked at graded intervals for measuring. | 'Which iten would be the best to measure this object- a ruler, metre stick or tape measure?' |
| Weight |  |  |
| Gram | A metric unit of mass equal to one thousandth of a kilogram. | 'This apple weighs approximately 100 grams'. |
| Capacity and volume |  |  |
| Millilitre | One thousandth of a litre. | 'This small beaker holds about 60 millilitres of water'. |
| Temperature |  |  |
| Degree | A set change in temperature measured against a given scale | 'The temperature at present is 16 degrees Celsius'. |
| Temperature | Measure of hotness or coldness. | 'The temperature at present is 16 degrees Celsius'. |
| Time |  |  |
| $5,10,15 \ldots$ minutes past |  |  |


| Digital clock | A clock that displays the time in numerical digits rather than by hands on a dial. |  |
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| Fortnight | A period of two weeks. | 'There are 14 days in a fortnight'. |
| Seconds | A unit of time. | 'There are 60 seconds in a minute' |
| 2d shape |  |  |
| Hexagon | A polygon with six sides and six angles. |  |
| Line symmetry | A shape is symmetrical when it fits exactly onto itself when folded in half. | This triangle has one line of symmetry. |
| Octagon | A polygon with eight sides and eight angles. |  |
| Pentagon | A polygon with five sides and five angles. |  |
| 3d shape |  |  |
| Surface | The outside part or uppermost layer of a 3d shape. | 2D Shapes on the Surface of 3D shapes |



| Tally | A form of counting. Each tally is a vertical mark. After the fourth vertical mark, a fifth horizontal/diagonal mark is drawn to create a group of five. | 'The tally chart shows that blue was the most popular colour.' |  |  |
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|  |  | Yellow | I/1/ | 4 |
|  |  | Red | HHt | 5 |
|  |  | Blue | HHt I | 6 |
|  |  | Green | 1 | 1 |
|  |  | Pink | ///1 | 4 |
| Title | The title of a graph tells you what the graph is about. | Zoos Date |  |  |
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