# MATHS ATCARR



**Greetings, Math Enthusiasts!** 

Welcome to the first edition of 'Maths at Carr' your go-to newsletter for many things maths related on the Key Stage 2 journey!

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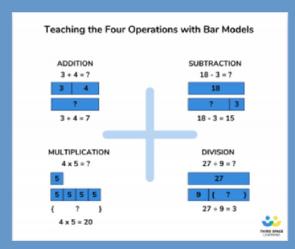
#### **Times Tables**

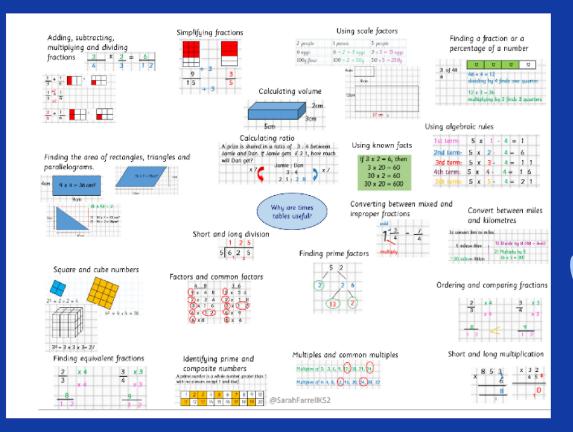
One of the key parts of maths in Key Stage 2 are times tables. Regular practise and 'over-learning' these skills help in so many areas of maths, both now and in future life. Children can attend TT Rockstars Club every day at lunchtime, and there is weekly homework set on TT Rockstars. Please encourage your child to do at least the minimum homework requirement.

#### What is the bar model in math?

The bar model is used by drawing out a bar to represent the known and unknown quantities in a given problem.

Encouraging a child to use the bar model in a problem can help them to understand conceptually what math operation is required from the problem, and how each part combines to make the whole.





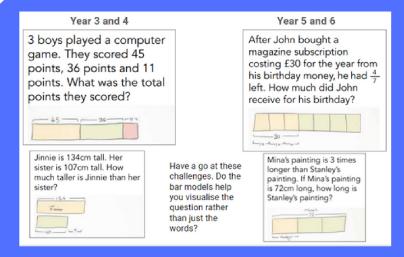
Having great times table knowledge helps with all of these areas of maths! These are all covered by the end of Year 6.

## Maths at home

There are so many ways that you can incorporate maths at home without any resources or money needed. A great way of finding a plethora of free resources and activities is to google search 'National Numeracy Family Maths Toolkit'.

Other key areas of maths you can cover at home include:

- Time (reading all types of clocks, working out how long things take/last)
- Measuring (cooking, making things, reading scales, different units of measures)
- Money (how much, change, understanding value, estimating the total cost of shopping)



Have a go at these challenges. Do the bar models help you visualise the question rather than just the words?