

# Year 2 Maths Top Tips!

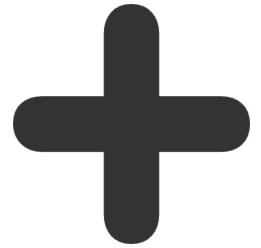
- Look at number lines and 100 squares
  - Use these to help your child with calculations and identifying patterns.
    - 1 more/less, 10 more/less
    - addition and subtraction calculations

<http://www.primarygames.co.uk/pg2/splat/splatsq100.html>



## • Practise recalling facts

- Learning number facts is important.
  - Number bonds to twenty (e.g.  $7 + 13 = 20$ ,  $19 + 1 = 20$  etc.)
  - Practising 2,5,10 x tables.
  - Also explain that you can always swap the number order around when it comes to addition and multiplication, so if  $16 + 4 = 20$  so does  $4 + 16$ .  $2 \times 5 = 10$  and so does  $5 \times 2$ .



## • Make it visual

- This works first of all because many children enjoy drawing and secondly because it gives a physical representation. Urge your child to keep the drawings small and basic (otherwise you'll be there all day!).
  - E.g. for multiplication  $3 \times 2 =$  Can be 3 lots of 2- 3 lots of flowers in 2 flower beds



## • Make it meaningful

- Maths is everywhere! Giving them real-life opportunities to practise their Maths skills makes them apply their knowledge to the real world.
  - At the supermarket let them decide which item is cheaper by looking at which price is lower than the other
  - Similarly learning money basics and getting them to make the coins that you need to pay with will get their brains thinking!

