Dear Parents/Carers,

Here are some suggested Maths websites that you might find useful:

Corbett Maths Primary 5 a day questions and answers at https://corbettmathsprimary.com/5-a-day/

It has different levels:

- Bronze level is generally suitable for Year 3
- Silver for Year 4
- Gold for Year 5/6
- Platinum level for more able mathematicians.

White Rose Maths Home Learning at https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/

This has daily lessons and a short video to guide pupils and parents through the activity sheet and then the answers. Simply click on the year group your child is in for access to the resources.

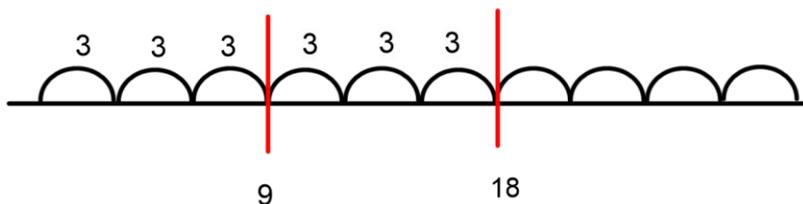There are also parent friendly maths activities at https://nrich.maths.org/13371

Below are some strategies to help with learning multiplication tables:
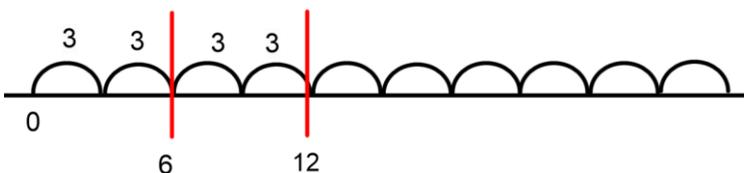
Maths activity: Times Tables

If you find it hard to remember your tables facts, these strategies can help you to find them quickly.

Remember your counting stick or draw a number line and use doubles and halves if you get stuck. I have shown some examples with the 3x table below. If you already know your 3x, you can use the same ideas with any table – as long as you know your doubles and halves!
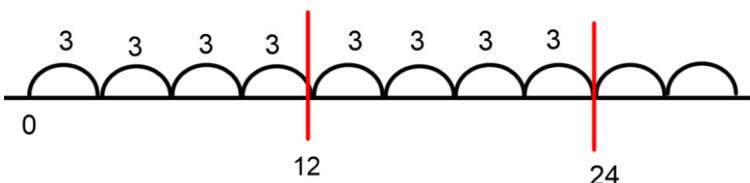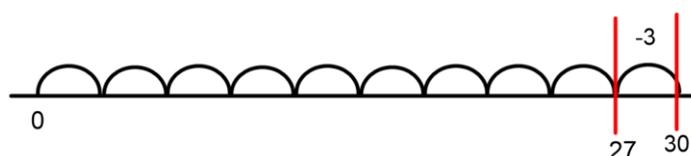
For example, you can double 3x3 to find 6x3.

You can double 2x3 to find 4 x3.

Double 4x3 to find 8 x3.

You can take 3 away from 10x3 to find 9x3.

You can halve 10x3 to find 5x3.

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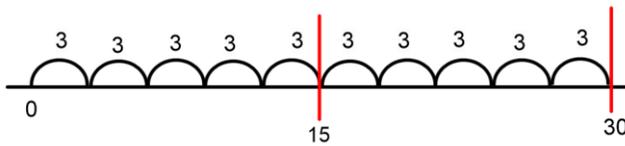
You find 5x and add the double to find 7x.

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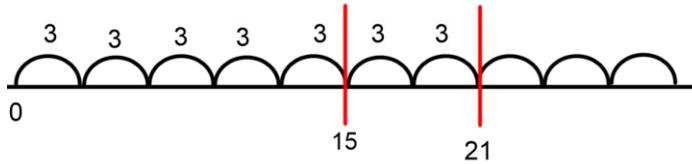
Other ideas: cut up bits of cards or paper and write the numbers from the 3x table on each one. Put them in order, then put them face down to hide them. Say a fact (e.g. 7x3) and ask child to predict the answer then turn it over. You can play this as a game, taking it in turns and scoring points for correct answers or speed. This can really help your child to build up their instant recall of the table they are working on.

You can also muddle them up and ask your child to rearrange them, put them in order and swap two, asking your child to spot which two have been swapped, or hide one and ask them to find which one is missing. They could do the same for you!

Remember, make sure your child is confident with one table before introducing another. When they think they are confident, use Emile or Maths Frame to check their recall or just test them yourself

<u>Learn these rhymes to help you with your square numbers:</u>

3x3 – Three times three, remember the rhyme, and you'll know the answer is nine.

4x4   If you are ever questioned by the queen, please tell her that four times four is sixteen.

5x5   Five times five is twenty five, how good it is to be alive, high five!

6x6   Abracadabra, magic tricks, six times six is thirty six.

7x7   Seven kids in seven lines, add them up it's forty nine.

8x8   Eight times eight is sixty four, push your (8 year old) sister out the door.

9x9   Nine times nine is eighty one, run along and eat a bun.

10x10 The easiest of all, it has to be said, ten times ten is one hundred.

We hope this helps with supporting you with Maths Learning at home.