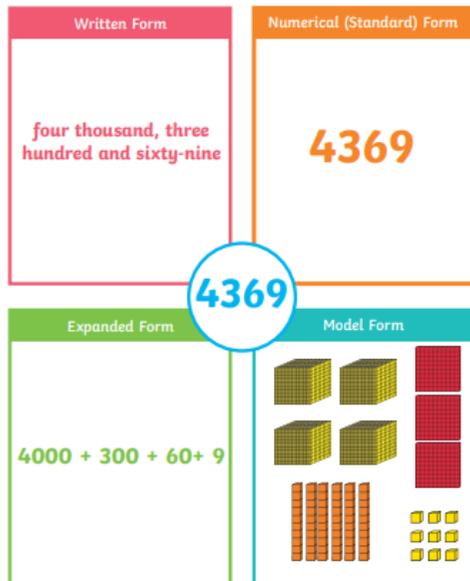


# Handy Hints for Parents / Carers

## Maths

Children have been exploring place value in Maths. This has included partitioning 4-digit numbers into thousands, hundreds, tens and ones.



Children will also be partitioning in different ways such as  $2000 + 2300 + 60 + 9$  as an expanded form of 4369.

Addition and subtraction (formal method)

Children will be completing addition and subtraction questions using the formal method.

$$\begin{array}{r} 4 \overline{)126} \\ - 283 \\ \hline 143 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{r} 386 \\ + 278 \\ \hline 664 \\ 11 \end{array}$$

<https://www.theschoolrun.com/what-is-the-column-method>

## English

Apostrophes for possession

For example: 'Lyra's coat'

Apostrophes for contraction

For example: 'don't'

<https://www.theschoolrun.com/what-is-an-apostrophe>

Fronted adverbials:

For example: **Under the clock**, he stood and waited. (Fronted adverbial in red)

<https://www.theschoolrun.com/what-are-fronted-adverbials>

Punctuating direct speech:

<https://www.theschoolrun.com/what-are-direct-and-indirect-speech>

## Reading

Suggested books for year 4:



Suggested books related to topic:

Stig of the Dump: Clive King

The First Drawing: Mordicai Gerstein

Confident readers:

The Boy with the Bronze Axe: Kathleen Fidler

## Spellings

Children will receive common words every Monday and will be tested on 10 of the spellings every Friday. The 10 spellings will be chosen at random from the list sent home. Children can practise their spellings by using the suggested activities on the homework sheet, their own favourite method or the spelling shed website. Spelling shed is also full of fun activities which can be used alongside their weekly spellings.

## Useful Links

### English

Spelling Shed:

<https://www.spellingshed.com/>

Apostrophes for possession:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6Qmy42V1ujo>

Fronted adverbials:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Lk-Llc3dWA&t=1s>

Punctuating direct speech:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6-YFmLctwDY>

### Maths

Timetable Rockstars:

<https://ttrockstars.com/login>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

We will be teaching addition and subtraction using the formal method.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LScWhYufB2k>

## Ten minute challenges...

- Tell children how long a journey is. Can they round the answer to the nearest 10?
- When shopping, get your child to add together the cost of each item you are buying to find the total.
- Read a book in an interesting place and send us a photograph.
- Draw a picture of a character or setting in a book you are reading.
- Whilst walking, discuss different habitats for animals.