

Strategies for Supporting Dyslexia and Numeracy

1. Teach strategies:
 - how to use a calculator for basic numeracy
 - how to use squared paper effectively
 - how to use flow charts and colour coding to remember sequences, instructions and where to find information
2. Provide a dyslexia friendly maths kit to include:
 - digital clocks
 - prompt cards with days of the week, months of the year, mathematical symbols, key vocabulary
 - number lines, 100 squares, multiplication squares and other ready reckoners
 - egg timers
 - bead strings
3. Connect things to real life whenever possible to make them relevant.
4. Continually link new concepts explicitly to existing concepts
5. Make things as practical and as visual as possible.
6. Introduce number talks in mixed ability groupings and encourage pupils to try a range of ways of finding an answer rather than just using one method.
7. Make use of manipulatives as often as possible. Ideally move on from the manipulatives to pictorial representations before moving on with abstract maths.

