

Friday 13th January 2017

Dear Parent/Carers,

In Literacy, we have worked in teams to act out scenes from the 'Traction Man' story. The children were excited to use the action figures brought in from home to create their scenes and were very successful in using them to act out the different scenarios. They then drew comic strips and wrote speech bubbles to show what each character would say. Next week, we will be describing the characters and what they did.

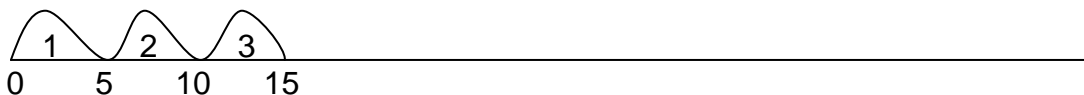
In Numeracy, we used repeated addition as another method to solve multiplication sums and problems. For example:

$$3 \times 5 = 15$$

3 groups of 5



When the children had mastered this method, we moved onto multiplication on a number line:



The children used these methods to solve different word problems. Here are some examples:

I have four 5p coins. How much money do I have altogether?	There are five pairs of socks in the drawer. How many socks?	I have eight 2p coins. How much money?
Ten crayons fit in a box. How many crayons in 6 boxes?	I have seven 10p coins. How much money altogether?	Each child gets five sweets. How many sweets for seven children?

During the Parent/Teacher Consultations, many parents asked for ways to help their child practise answering words problems at home. Here are some useful websites with some examples:

<http://www.topmarks.co.uk/Flash.aspx?f=postsortingwordproblem>

<https://uk.ixl.com/math/year-2/addition-and-subtraction-word-problems>

<http://www.primaryresources.co.uk/maths/mathsD1.htm>

Many thanks for your support

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