



Oakwood Primary Academy



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Dear Parents and Carers,

On Thursday 19th September, we are hosting a KIRF workshop to support you in helping your child at home. This session will run from drop off 8.45am – 9.45am in the school hall. Please enter the building using the community entrance. Refreshments will be provided. Your child will be invited to attend the workshop to play a few of the games.

KIRFs are the 'Key Instant Recall Facts' that children need to secure during their primary years. They include facts such as number bonds and times tables. They are particularly useful when calculating, adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing but also underpin many other areas of mathematics.

When children have quick access to a bank of facts, which incur little cost to working memory, they have more capacity to think about more complex problems that draw on these facts. We have noticed that without regular rehearsal, these facts are forgotten so it is essential they are practised regularly and embedded in children's long-term memory so they can be recalled quickly and accurately.

We look forward to seeing you.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Michelle Francis
Trust Mathematics Lead