



Hippings Methodist Primary School

Key Instant Recall Facts Year 3 – Spring 1

I can recall facts about duration of time

By the end of this half term, the children should know the following facts. The aim is for them to recall these facts **instantly**.

There are 60 seconds in a minute
There are 60 minutes in an hour
There are 24 hours in a day
There are 7 days in a week
There are 12 months in a year
There are 365 days in a year
There are 366 days in a leap year

Number of days in each month

January 31	July 31
February 28/29	August 31
March 31	September 30
April 30	October 31
May 31	November 30
June 30	December 31

Children need to know the order of the months in a year. They should be able to apply these facts to answer questions such as:

What day comes after 30th April? What day comes before 1st February?

Top Tips!

The secret to success is practising **little** and **often**. Use time wisely. Can you practise these KIRFs while walking to school or during a car journey? You do not need to practise them all at once; perhaps you could have a fact of the day? If you would like more ideas, please speak to your child's teacher.

Use rhymes and memory games – The rhyme 'Thirty days hath September' can help children remember which months have 30 days. There are songs online that recite the months of the year in order, e.g <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5enDRrWyXaw>

Use calendars – If you have a calendar for the new year, your child could be responsible for recording the birthdays of friends and family members on it. Your child could even make their own calendar.

How long is a minute? – Ask your child to sit with their eyes closed for exactly one minute while you time them. Can they guess the length of a minute? Carry out different activities for one minute. How many times can they jump in sixty seconds?