

Fluency Facts

Year 3 - Summer 2

I can recall facts about duration of time

By the end of this half term, 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.

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

Number of days in each month

Children also need to know the order of the months in a year. They should be able too 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 Fluency Facts 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.

<u>Use rhymes and memory games</u> - The rhyme, *Thirty days hath September*, can help children remember which months have 30 days. There are poems describing the months of the year in order.

<u>Use calendars</u> - If you have a calendar for the new year, your child could be responsible for recording the birthdays of friends and family members in it. Your child could even make their own calendar.

<u>How long is a minute?</u> - 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?