



## Key Instant Recall Facts

### Year 3 Spring 1

#### Target:

By the end of the term, your child should be able to ....

- Recall facts about durations of time

#### Key Vocabulary:

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

#### Questions to ask

What day comes after 30th April?

What day comes before 1st February?

How many minutes in an hour?

How many days in the year?

What's different about a leap year?

#### Activities to try at home

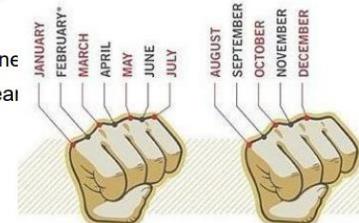
##### **Rhymes and memory games –**

'30 days has September,

April, June and November.

All the rest have 31,

except February, it's the one  
which only has 28 days clear  
and 29 in each leap year.'



● KNUCKLE BUMPS = 31 DAYS  
● KNUCKLE GAPS = 30 DAYS \* EXCEPT FEBRUARY = 29/28 DAYS

##### **Use your knuckles –**

**When's your birthday –** What month is your mum/dad/brother/sisters birthday? How many days are there in it? What month comes before your mum/dad/brother/sisters birthday? Which month comes afterwards? How many days are in those months?

#### **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 don't 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 poems describing the months of the year in order.

**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 in 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?