

**National Curriculum Programme of Study;**

- multiply multi-digit numbers up to 4 digits by a two-digit whole number using the formal written method of long multiplication
- multiply one-digit numbers with up to 2 decimal places by whole numbers



**Y6**

Multiplication

**BY THE END OF YEAR 6...**

By the end of Year 6, children will be able to show their understanding as;

$$\begin{array}{r}
 4276 \\
 \times 34 \\
 \hline
 17104 \\
 128280 \\
 \hline
 145384 \\
 1
 \end{array}$$

**Following on from Year 5...  
Column method for long multiplication**

$$\begin{array}{r}
 142 \\
 \times 31 \\
 \hline
 142 \\
 4260 \\
 \hline
 1
 \end{array}$$

The introductory teaching of long multiplication, based on solid conceptual understanding of short multiplication, is developed in Years 4 and 5.

Children in Year 6 should be consolidating their understanding with the multiplication of increasingly large numbers, set in context wherever possible.

**Column method for long multiplication, involving decimals**

The multiplication of decimal numbers was introduced in year 5, with single digit numbers with up to 2 decimal places being multiplied by a single digit whole number.  
(See Year 5 for accompanying notes)

$$\begin{array}{r}
 3.25 \\
 \times 6 \\
 \hline
 19.50 \\
 18.00 \\
 \hline
 19.50
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 3.25 \\
 \times 6 \\
 \hline
 19.50 \\
 1 \quad 1 \quad 3
 \end{array}$$

x	2 . 7 4	
	1 4	
	. 1 6	
	2 . 8 0	
	8 . 0 0	
	. 4 0	
	7 . 0 0	
	2 0 . 0 0	
	3 8 . 3 6	
	1 1	

The expanded stage should be shown again, alongside the compact format when introducing the children to the multiplication of a decimal number by a **two-digit number**.  
 E.g. £2.74 x 14

It may be useful for children to annotate at the side of each line, which part of the calculation it refers to, e.g. (4 x 4p) or (10 x 70p)