



BIG MATHS INVESTIGATION

Multiplication – All the digits

ALL THE DIGITS

This represents the multiplication of a 4-figure number by 3.

- ❖ The whole calculation uses each of the digits 0–9 once and once only.
- ❖ The 4-figure number contains three consecutive numbers, which are not in order. The third digit is the sum of two of the consecutive numbers.
- ❖ The first, third and fifth figures of the five-digit product are three consecutive numbers, again not in order. The second and fourth digits are also consecutive numbers.
- ❖ Can you replace the stars in the calculation with figures?

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{★ ★ ★ ★} \\ \times \quad \quad \quad 3 \\ \hline \text{★ ★ ★ ★ ★} \end{array}$$

GETTING STARTED

- ❖ Use counters or scraps of paper with the digits 0–9 written on them.
- ❖ Make a list of 3 consecutive numbers 0–9 remembering that 3 has already been accounted for.
- ❖ What could the ones digit of the product be if the multiplication is by 3?
- ❖ Which consecutive numbers could be in the four-digit number?
- ❖ Which other digit could appear in the four-digit number?

We will have a discussion and reveal the solution tomorrow – see if you can solve it first!