

Year N - Maths Learning Journey

Dear Parents,

We have been learning about maths in lots of different ways. Here are some practical ideas that we hope you find useful in supporting your child at home!

Recognising Numbers

Number spotting can be done anywhere! Talk about the numbers on buses, front doors, price tags, etc. Point out numbers and encourage your child to read these independently.



Number

Hunt - Hide

some cut-out numbers from 1-10 around the house and see if your child can find them - ask them to shout the number out loud when they find it.

Counting up and down

Steps and stairs - Count together as you walk up and down stairs while you're out and about or when climbing the stairs to bed.



Rocket countdown - Ask your child to pretend to be a rocket and count down:



5,4,3,2,1 blast off!

Matching / Ordering numbers

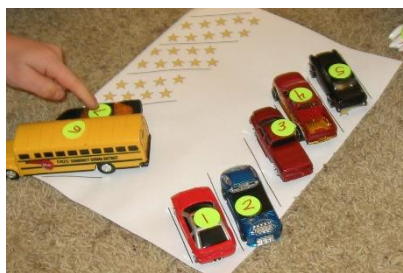
Stick numbers 1-5 onto toy cars. Draw 5 car park spaces onto paper, labelled 1-5.

Can you match the cars to the right parking spaces?

Replace the car park with 5 blank spaces. Can

you place the cars in order?

Cut out fish or other creatures of interest to your child and label them 1-5 (then 1-10). Can your child collect them in the right order?



Matching / Making Sets

You may also hear this referred to as "1 to 1 correspondence." This skill helps children to recognise that "4" means 4 things or objects.

Count out toys for a simple game. Can you give me 3 marbles?

Pick up 2 dice. Can you give everybody 4 cards?

Match the dots on dominoes to other dominoes. This is a great game for children to get the idea of what "four" looks like.

Similarly, playing board games with dice helps children to recognise dot patterns as a numerical value, i.e. 5 dots = 5.



Songs and Rhymes

Once I caught a fish alive



One, two, three, four, five,
Once I caught a fish alive,
Six, seven, eight, nine, ten,
Then I let it go again.

Why did you let it go?
Because it bit my finger so.
Which finger did it bite?
This little finger on the right.

'One banana, two banana'

One banana, two bananas,
Three bananas, more
Four bananas, five bananas,
Six bananas, more.

Seven bananas, eight
bananas,

Nine bananas,
more

Ten yellow
bananas!



Monkeys on the bed

Five little monkeys jumping on the bed
One fell off and bumped his head
So Momma called the doctor and the
doctor said
No more monkeys jumping on the bed!

Four, three, two, one little monkeys...

No little monkeys jumping on the bed
None fell off and bumped his head
So Momma called the doctor and the
doctor said
Put those monkeys back in bed!



Ten Green Bottles

Ten green bottles, Hanging on the wall
Ten green bottles, Hanging on the wall
And if one green bottle
Should accidentally fall
There'll be nine green bottles
Hanging on the wall
9-2 green bottles...

One green bottle, Hanging on the wall
One green bottle, Hanging on the wall
If that one green bottle
Should accidentally fall
There'll be no green bottles
Hanging on the wall

