

Nursery Maths Home-Learning – week beginning 27/04/2020

This week we would like the children to focus on the following skills:

- Begin to represent numbers using fingers, marks on paper or pictures.
- To recite numbers to 10 and further if possible.

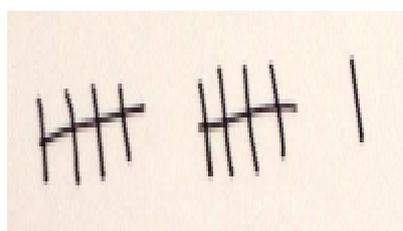
Here are some activities you can try with your child...

In the kitchen

To help support your child's sensory learning, include your child in some basic cooking based activities. This might include your child using their fingers to draw some numbers in some flour/sugar.



Your child could count how many cups/teaspoons you use in a bake. Ask questions as you do it, such as 'did we count correctly?' or 'how can we check?' This will encourage your child to record it for accuracy, such as using their fingers to record or making marks on paper to represent the number (like a tally chart).



(tally chart)

If you use a timer in your cooking, explain to children what the number means (10 minutes) and ask your child to record it on paper. Encourage your child to recite up to the number given. They could record the number as it decreases (using a tally chart, like above). Explain to them that the number is getting 'less' and 'smaller', to help their language and understanding.



In the garden/large space

Have a tea-party with your child! If you don't have any child's kitchen toys, you could use your own (your child will LOVE this). Using imaginary food (or real, it's up to you!) divide the food between all the toys/people, counting as you go. Ask questions like, 'do we have the same?' or 'can I have some more please?' This will help develop their mathematical language through play. To ensure everyone has the correct amount, record how many each person/toy using a tally chart or on your child's fingers.



As the weather at the moment is on the dry side (hopefully I haven't jinxed it!) you can practise mark-making with water! You'll need a paint brush/old tooth brush and a cup of water. Find a space that has a hard surface and practise recording numbers/tally charts/numerals with water! Children usually love this activity.



[Links for counting with children online](#)

Here are some links that will help your children to recite numbers in order to 10 and beyond. Some of the children will already be familiar with these...

- [10 Little Numbers](#)
- [Once I Caught A Fish Alive](#)
- [One, Two Buckle My Shoe](#)
- [Counting to 20 - The Singing Walrus](#)
- [Counting to 20 - The Count \(Sesame Street\)](#)

There are many songs and Nursery rhymes that focus on counting. I have selected these, as they sequence them in ascending order.

Enjoy playing the games and activities!