Ideas for supporting maths at home...

This half term we are focusing on recognising numbers to 10 in different forms (written numeral, shapes, patterns...) We will also be looking at naming, identifying and describing common 2D and 3D shapes.

Cooking

Cook different things with your child encouraging them to weigh the ingredients and look for the correct numbers on the scales. Show them what the number should look like when they have enough. Can they recognise any of the numbers?

Recipes with cup measurements are great too as your child can count how much they need to add.

You could make playdough, treats, lunch ... anything!

Numbers, numbers everywhere!

Look for numbers everywhere!

Where can you find numbers in your everyday environment?

- Can you find numbers in your reading books?
- Can you find any numbers when you are out on a walk? Or cycling?
- Can you find any numbers in your house? Perhaps in your kitchen? Your bedroom? On any of your toys?

Encourage your child to recognise numbers 0 - 10 independently.

Games

Play board games together, take turns and communicate with each other about what is happening. Who is winning? What numbers are each of the players on? What shapes are on the board?

Encourage your child to recognise the number of dots on the dice without counting them. Can they recognise the pattern of the dots?

Snack time!

How many pieces do you have for your snack?

How many grapes?

How many chocolate buttons?

What shape is your snack?

Can you share the snack out evenly so that we both have the same amount?

Shapes

What shapes can you find in your house?

What shapes can you see when you are out and about?

Encourage your child to name and identify different shapes in the environment.

What can you make using different shapes? Can you make a model using 3D shapes? Can you make a picture using different 2D shapes?