

HELPING YOUR CHILD WITH MATHS AT HOME



Reception St Barnabas Cofe Primary School

Dear Parents and Carers.

In Reception, children begin to explore numbers, shapes and patterns through play and everyday experiences. Your support at home helps them develop confidence and a love of maths. Here are some fun ways to help your child.

PATTERNS & SORTING

What to practise:

- Recognising and creating simple patterns with colours, shapes or objects
- Sorting objects by size, colour or type



How to help at home:

 Make patterns with beads, blocks or crayons



SHAPE, SPACE & MEASURE

What to practise:

 Naming simple 2D shapes (circle, square, triangle) and 3D shapes (cube, sphere)

How to help at home:

- Go on a shape hunt around the house or park
- Bake together and talk about measuring and timing
- Look at clocks and talk about the time



USEFUL RESOURCES & WEBSITES

- CBeebies Numberblocks
- White Rose 1 Minute Maths App



NUMBER SKILLS

What to practise:



- Counting up to 10
- Recognising numbers and matching them to amounts
- Understanding 'more' and 'less'

How to help at home:

- Count toys, snacks, steps or anything around the house together
- Play simple number games and sing counting songs
- Use everyday routines to compare amounts (e.g. 'Who has more grapes?')

TALKING ABOUT MATHS

Encourage your child to talk about what they see and do:

- 'How many do you have?'
- 'How do you know?'

Talking helps develop their understanding and language skills.

REMEMBER.

 Maths is everywhere! Counting, sorting and spotting shapes can happen naturally during play, shopping and daily routines.

If you have any questions or want more ideas, please talk to your child's teacher.