

Many thanks to all the parents who attended the number workshop this morning. For those who could not come, here is a list of suggestions which were discussed.

Things to Do at Home

Number songs/rhymes

Counting everyday objects, toys, trees, cars etc

Counting/Number stories

Jump/count stairs, paving stones etc

Counting toys during play – “please give me 6 yellow lego bricks”

Counting the seconds for cleaning teeth/getting dressed etc

Board Games - *Snakes and Ladders* etc

Number jigsaws

Dice Games

Dominoes

Abacus

Hopscotch and other physical play involving counting or number recognition

Number the toy box labels

Have a number chart appropriate to child’s age in a prominent place and refer to it regularly

Using number vocabulary in conversation – I’ve cut your sandwich into 4 pieces. I’ve cut your sandwich into quarters. Which will be the first one eaten? How many quarters will be left? Please put 3 plates on the table.

Baking – weighing, pouring

Calendars – fill in important dates, cross off days, count how many days until...

Clocks – Have a clear, simple one and refer to it frequently e.g. “It’s 2 o’clock so in 10 minutes we need to go”