

Time

Talk to your child about the seasons, days of the week, time of the day and whether it is day or night.

Like each day with different activities to support this like "On Monday we go swimming."

Point out the changes to nature and weather in the different seasons.

Use Youtube to search for songs about days of the week or months of the year.

Some useful recipes...

<p>Playdough— Ingredients: 1 cup flour 1/2 cup salt 1 cup water 1 Tablespoon oil 2 teaspoons cream of tartar Food colouring Directions: Combine all ingredients in a pan and stir. Cook over low heat, stirring until a ball forms.</p>	<p>Moon Sand— Ingredients: 4 cups play sand 2 cup corn flour 1 cup water 2 tbsp powder paint of glitter Mix the sand and cornflour in a large bowl until combined. Then tip in the water in increments, mixing it in as you go along. By the end it should be well combined and the consistency is like a crumbly pastry mix. It should not be wet, but feel slightly damp. When this is achieved then stir through the powder paint.</p>
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Have Fun

at Home

With Maths

Maths is part of our everyday life.

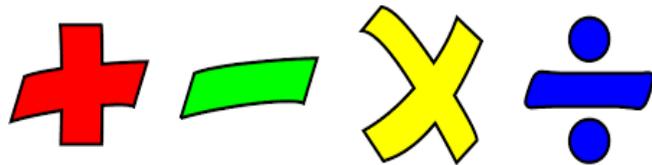
We all need to use it in a variety of different ways.

It is amazing how much you can learn when you are having fun.

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Number

Count everything! Stairs when going upstairs, cars on the road, clothes into the washing machine, plates on the table. Also count backwards whenever possible. Make numbers out of playdough or press number shapes into it. Play games that have a dice and count dots and match to numbers. On YouTube there are lots of counting and clapping songs.



Measurement

Use recipes that measure using cups (American recipes) and ask your child to find items for cooking from the cupboard. Use language such as heavy, light, long, short, tall, small, more, less empty and full. Use bath time and water play to explore capacity. Compare the sizes of different items around your house. Measure using hands and feet and find out how many and compare sizes of hands and feet. Use lego brick to build different houses and discuss their size and shape.

Shape

Find shapes around the home, out in the street. Play games such as I Spy using shape names. Use fuzzy felt or pictures of shapes to make shape pictures. Compare tins and boxes trying to push them, roll them, stack them. Cut up photographs and make them into jigsaws to fit back together. Get your children to make different shapes with their bodies, string or ribbon.



Money

Involve your child in handing money over at the shop or on the bus. Let them play with real coins, stacking them, feeling them or making pictures. Put coins in piggy banks and discuss the coins. Play shops or café using real money asking them to 'pay' for things!