

## What you can do at home...

- Simple dot to dot puzzles are a great way of reinforcing number recognition and number order.
- When you are out and about look at the numbers on car registration plates. Which is the biggest number on there and which is the smallest?



- Use food to reinforce counting. E.g. peel an orange and count the segments - if I eat one segment, how many will be left?



## Mathematical Vocabulary

We will be introducing some mathematical terms to your children as the year progresses and it would be great if you could reinforce these through talk at home. Some of this vocabulary includes words such as:

- more, less, the same, altogether, in total, double, half, how many left?

**Many of you will already be doing these mathematical activities and practising your child's numerical skills without even thinking about it!**

**The most important thing is to make learning mathematics**

**FUN!**

## The Croft Primary School

### Number Games at Home



**Helpful hints for making mathematics fun at home!**

## Mathematics at home



Whilst children learn mathematics and all about numbers in school, there are also lots of fun ways that you can support your child at home.

We have suggested a few simple activities that you could do at home which will not only help to improve your child's mathematical skills but also their attitude towards mathematics.

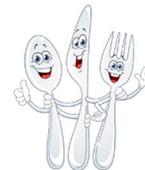
We use mathematics every day without even realising it!

## What you can do at home...

You can incorporate mathematics and number in lots of different household and family activities. Some of these are:



- When doing the washing sort by colour, sort by size, count the total number, pair the socks up and count in 2's.
- When shopping ask your child to get you a certain number of things e.g. 3 apples, recognise numerals in price and weight and count out coins.
- Ask them to put the TV on a certain channel to help number recognition.
- Laying the table with 1 knife, 1 fork, 1 spoon for each person.



## What you can do at home...

- Try playing number games with cards, dominos and board games - try to encourage them by joining in yourself! They could even have fun creating their own games.



- Look at house numbers and talk about what number will come next and what came before.



- Children can count anything! Pennies, buttons, pasta, trees, cars, building bricks, sweets, apples - encourage them to count things wherever they are!

