

Alongside learning maths at school, it is vital that your child is exposed to maths in everyday life in a fun and exciting way.

Simple activities as described below can be used for all ages and abilities:

-Shopping:

- Getting your child to count out items to buy
- Using money to pay
- Comparing prices
- Looking at weights on packaging
- Working out how many days an item has left until its used by date

-Cooking:

- Weighing out ingredients
- Doubling / halving recipes
- Cutting up toast into different shapes
- Using cookie cutters of different shapes

-Telling the time

- How long until...?
- Can you tell me when it is...?
- If we left at....and it is now...., how long has it taken...?
- If France is an hour ahead, what time is it there now?

-Walking/travelling to school

- Looking at shapes
- What numbers can you see?
- Estimating the number of yellow cars you will see on a journey
- Counting out your times tables as you walk

The most important thing for your child to experience is a positive attitude to maths - it's ok not to know the answer straight away or be right first time. Maths is a learning journey and regular practise and experience of maths will help your child when learning in the classroom.