Maths Home Learning Sheet
Week Beginning 30.10.17

Focus: Number - To be able to count reliably and accurately.

- To know, use and apply different counting strategies.


## Activity Ideas:

- Count forwards and backwards from 0-20, demonstrating and practicing pointing to one object for each number spoken.
- How many objects can children count accurately in 1 minute?
- Hold up a number of fingers from behind your back. Child and another player (mum, dad, sibling, grandparent etc) have to shout out the number of fingers you are showing. Fastest wins!
- Play the above game using a dice - [players must shout out the number of spots. You could make it harder by throwing two dice at the same time and for children to combine numbers.
- Practise making 'sets' of objects. Talk about the last number you say is how many are in the set - the total number altogether.
- Demonstrate counting out from a large group of objects, putting the objects into a straight line to count them. Deliberately miss out numbers when counting or confuse numbers to see if children notice.
- Tip a load of objects onto the floor and ask children to find an accurate way to count them. Watch for children moving the into a straight line as they count. Discourage children from trying to count by pointing and no $\dagger$ moving, as this makes it difficult. Children will often count the same object more than once and get muddled!

Please let me know if you and your child come up with any good activities...

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