For wet afternoons/school holidays/ weekends

Get together with your child and:

- play card and board games that encourage guessing and checking.
- bake follow a simple recipe, weighing out given amounts and working out an equal share each. Double/halve ingredients.
- * plan for a special event on a given budget—afternoon tea
- * use blocks that fit together to make a model. Draw what it would look like from above, side and underneath.
- * do complicated jigsaw puzzles,.
- * collect the family birthdays and put in order.
- * play outdoor games where complicated scoring is involved.



Supporting Your Child at Home with Maths



A Booklet for Parents

Be positive about maths because it's really important for your child's learning!

Talk together and have fun with numbers and patterns

Help your child to:

- find and read large numbers in your environment e.g
 nineteen thousand,
- Count forwards and backwards
 (starting with numbers like 10,098,
 10,099, 10,100, 10,101 then back)



- Read car's mileage when you start and again when you finish. E.g 73, 030 to 73, 1 43—How many miles did we travel?
- Look for patterns of numbers, cracking the code.

Use Easy Everyday Activities

Involve your child in:

- preparing and sharing out food "cutting equal shares and sharing out.
- Telling the time—5 past, 10 past, 20 past ,25 to etc.
- Helping at the supermarket to weigh items. Look for best buys and why.
- Practising times tables—1s upto 12s as well as the division facts that go with these. Sing songs, look for patterns within tables. What can you see?



Here's a tip - use lots of mathematics words as your child is playing (eg "over", "under", "first, second, third", "round", "through", "before", "after").

Here's a tip - maths is an important part of everyday life and there are lots of ways you can make it fun for your child.