Dereham Church of England Infant and Nursery Academy- Mathematics



Year group: Reception	Area/topic: Mathematics-match, sort and
	compare

Birth to 5 Matters - Range 6 - Spots patterns in the environment, beginning to identify the pattern "rule"

Development Matters - Reception - Compare numbers.

Birth to 5 Matters - Range 5 - Compares two small groups of up to five objects, saying when there are the same number of objects in each group.

Prior learning	Future learning
Children may have had opportunities to play with	These skills will be used frequently when tidying
sorting toys in nursey settings and at home	up after activities; at home time etc., the skills
	will also be used and applied when playing a
	selection of games during school time and at
	home.

What pupils need to know or do to be secure	
Key knowledge and skills	Possible evidence
Match objects	Photos of children experimenting with blocks and building towers to match their friend's or an adults.
Match pictures and objects	Children experience playing a game similar to snap with an adult where they match pictures on a card

Identify a set	Photos of children experimenting with a range of buttons in a tuff tray. Can they all make the same set of buttons? Who has and has not been successful?
Sort objects to a type	Photos of children sorting items of loose parts.
Explore sorting techniques	Photos of children sorting themselves into different groups- e.g. if you are wearing a jumper, if you have your hair tied up or if you are wearing glasses.
Create sorting rules	Opportunities to play the odd one out game
Compare amounts	Provide regular opportunities to compare a range of manipulatives
Key vocabulary	
Groups, shorter, taller, More, fewer, same,	
Common misconceptions	Books linking to this area
	A Pair of Socks by Stuart J. Murphy
It is important to introduce children to other types of	
sorting, such as shape and size, so that they do not think that salaur is the angle way to sart	t Seaweed Soup by Stuart J. Murphy
think that colour is the only way to sort.	

The Button Box by Margarette S. Reid Beep Beep, Vroom Vroom! by Stuart J. Murphy
Opportunities for communication
Ask and discuss the key questions provided by White Rose
Discuss, share and repeat the sentence stems provided by White Rose

Communication and Interaction

Use a range of visual aids Give clear instructions one at a time Repetition

Provide simple instructions
Pre teach vocabulary
Use working wall where modelling is displayed
Give children thinking time
Model task

Cognition and Learning

Check understanding regularly
Allow rest breaks
Give thinking time
Colour code signs that could be confusing
Work checklists
Break down tasks into small steps
Give opportunities for over-learning

Social, Emotional and Mental health

Allow access to a quiet and calm space Give child a special role to increase self esteem Provide a visual support- what to do if you are stuck

Provide a movement break

Seat pupil by more confident peer

Now and next board

Sand timers

Movement breaks

Break down tasks into small steps

Sensory and Physical

Consider carpet space position
Reduce background noise
Provide a range of manipulatives- dienes may be
too small
Appropriate seating
Wobble boards

Writing slope Enlarge text Variety of writing tools available