#### CARDINALITY AND COUNTING

- Count the stairs as you climb them
- Count knives, forks, spoons when setting the table
- Count socks, shoes etc when getting dressed / undressed

#### COMPARISON

- Compare 2 groups of objects – are they the same or different?
- Talk about more / less when comparing groups

#### COMPOSITION

- "What do you notice?"
- Model 'noticing' ... "I know there are 4 cubes – I can see a 2 and a 2"
- Subitising really helps with mathematical thinking

# MATHS AT HOME

#### PATTERN

- Notice patterns on fabric / wrapping paper etc
- Talk about the patterns you see and name the pattern eg. RED, BLUE, RED, BLUE etc
- Make your own pattern using familiar items at home

#### SHAPE AND SPACE

 Be aware of shapes in the environment – look for similarities and talk about properties

#### MEASURES

- Compare objects by height, weight, capacity.
- Model language full, empty, tall, short, heavy, light

#### CARDINALITY AND COUNTING

Understanding that the cardinal value of a number refers to the quantity, or 'howmanyness' of things it represents

#### COMPARISON

Understanding that comparing numbers involves knowing which numbers are worth more or less than each other

#### COMPOSITION

Understanding that one number can be made up from (composed from) two or more smaller numbers

# **NURSERY MATHS**

#### PATTERN

Looking for and finding patterns helps children notice and understand mathematical relationships

#### SHAPE AND SPACE

Understanding what happens when shapes move, or combine with other shapes, helps develop wider mathematical thinking

#### MEASURES

Comparing different aspects such as length, weight and volume, as a preliminary to using units to compare later

### WHAT'S IS IT?

WORD IS DERIVED FROM LATIN MEANING TO ARRIVE SUDDENLY! SUBITISING COMES BEFORE THE INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT SKILL OF COUNTING. IT'S AN INNATE SKILL OUR ANCESTORS USED, DRIVEN BY OURN PRIMAL INSTINCT TO KEEP US ALIVE.





# SUBITISING -

A GOOD GROUNDING IN SUBITSING. HAS A PROFOUNDLY POSITIVE IMPACT ON CHILDREN'S UNDERSTANDING AND ABILITY TO ADD. SUBTRACT. MULTIPLY. DIVIDE AND WORK WITH FRACTIONS

THE TWO TYPES OF SUBITISING:

1. PERCEPTUAL SUBITIZING IS INSTANTLY KNOWING HOW MANY ARE IN A GIVEN SET OF 5 OR LESS ITEMS.

2. CONCEPTUAL SUBITIZING, IS THE ABILITY TO SEE SETS OF NUMBERS WITHIN LARGER SETS, SUCH AS SEEING TWO FOURS IN THE EIGHT OF A DOMINO. IMPORTANT TO EMBED THE PRINCIPLES OF COUNTING – THIS IS DONE THROUGH FUN AND HANDS ON EXPLORATION



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# THE PRINCIPAL COUNTING PRINCIPLES

## WHAT ARE THESE PRINCIPLES?

- 1.STABLE ORDER
- 2. ONE TO ONE CORRESPONDENCE
  - CARDINALITY
  - CONSERVATION
  - ORDER IRRELEVANCE

MORE INFO HERE: (GOOGLE THE PRINCIPAL PRINCIPLES OF COUNTING)