

We



Maths

at

**Browns Lane
Preschool**

(we really do!!!!)



We all use maths every day, often without realising.

Some of us have had very bad experiences of poor maths teaching in the past which makes us nervous and afraid of the word "maths"



We believe that every child can develop the numeracy skills they will need, both at school and throughout their lives.

Helping your child feel confident about maths gives them a great head start.

We can influence our children's view of maths by showing that we really think

...that maths is IMPORTANT

...that maths is FUN

...that being a person who likes maths is a GOOD THING TO BE.

.....By learning maths through playing and the things we do everyday – shopping, cooking, watching sport, playing sport, playing games, making a mess, getting dressed....



The best way to learn maths is not to learn maths but to use it to help us have fun.....

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Are we making a delicious smoothie or are we learning about measuring, weighing, halving, quartering, estimating, the meaning of words such as “full; empty; inside; combine; on top; at the bottom....”?



Are we threading beads on a string to make a necklace or are we learning about patterns, sequencing, counting, grouping...?



Are we making mud pies or are we learning about size, shape, comparing quantities, mixing, adjusting, adapting, learning about capacity, too much, too little, volume...?

Are we playing with our friends outside or are we problem solving, learning about “division”:
 $4 \text{ balls and } 2 \text{ children} = 2 \text{ each}$
learning about speed - faster, slower - learning about ordinal numbers (you're FIRST, I'm SECOND), learning spatial awareness....?





Are we singing funny songs or are we learning to count, to order, to represent.....?



Are we having snack or are we learning about time, routine, amounts, sharing out, how long things take, how to prioritise, what is going to happen next, what happened before, how much do we want, is it full?

Are we playing shop with our friends or are we learning about money, quantities, sizes, counting...?



Are we arriving to play at preschool to play with our friends or are we learning about thinking, learning, persevering, problem solving, negotiating, trying hard and becoming people who LOVE MATHS!?

Maths is EVERYWHERE!

Maths is Fun !