This week is all about subtraction. The children have covered subtraction numerous times, now is a good time to reinforce their knowledge. Like the other activities i have made one at home, there is a photograph below which should help. Initially the activity will take about 10 minutes preparation but you will be able to use the same equation cards throughout the week.

## Home Learning



## Mental Maths:

- Keep going with your days of the week, weather chart.
- The flowers look amazing, lots of daisies and dandelions. can you pick a group and count them? Maybe place a hoop or a círcle of string and count how many are inside.
- Blow those Dandelion seed clocks: How many can you count to? My youngest blew three and it really was three O'clock!
- Ask the children to count to twenty with dinosaur hands and feet, it is an activity we do in class 1,2 stamp a foot for each 3, 4 one claw hand out at a time and 5 is a clap repeat so that each group of 5 is a clap.
- Puddle jump: place the numbers 1-20 on the floor the children need to jump from one 'puddle' number to another saying the number each time.
- Lots of counting one more and one less from a given number.
- Blast rockets into space and count back from 10 or twenty

Activity 1 The children are revisiting subtraction. You can use 2 small plates and a bowl and pieces of pasta.

- On strips of paper write down sums for each number ie 1-0=, 1-1 = next 2-0=,2-1=, 2-2=, next 3-0=,3-2=, 3-3= etc with number 1-10.

Keep each group of equations separate with the correct amount of pasta in a small bag or an envelope


- 6-1 =, place 6 pieces of pasta/beads in the first dish. Remove one piece of pasta and place it in the central dish. To work out the answer count the pasta/beads from the first dish into the $3^{r d}$ dish and then find the corresponding number to the answer.
- Make the middle dish different from the other 2 , so that the children can see that you are subtracting that amount.
- See the photograph below: I tried to take the photos so that it would show you how to set it up and how the children will move the pasta ©)


## Activity 2

- Repeat Activity one
- The children should be a little bit more independent and do not have to pick the equation packets in order

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Use equation cards from Activity 1. Use flowers ie daisies / buttercups, or your stones ask your child to count out the larger of the numbers in flowers. From this group of flowers remove the smaller number from the sum in a similar method to Activity 1 and 2 . Write the answer on a piece of paper. The children can and use the bowls and plates in the same way as Activity 1.

Activity 4

- Repeat yesterday's task to help the children gain confidence. Extend the sums by working with number 1-20 if your child is very confident working within numbers 1-10
useful Links and Videos
- https://www. youtube.com/watch?v=xrgstcgA Ho this is a You tube demonstration of Activity one but very American!


