





Term	Week	Objectives	Development Matters
	1	Recognise the colour red	EAD 3 – 4 Year Olds:
		Recognise the colour blue	Explore colour and colour mixing
		Recognise the colour yellow	
	2	Recognise the colour green	
		Recognise the colour purple	
		Recognise colour	
		Children recap the colours they have already learnt and explore other colours. They talk about their favourite colours and match objects to the correct colour name.	
Autumn 1	3	Recognise matching buttons – or something of a similar size. Children can identify shape and colour	3 – 4 Year Olds: Make comparisons between objects relating to size Complete inset puzzles Compare sizes using gestures and language: 'bigger/little/small' Talk about and explore 2D shapes using informal and mathematical language sides, corners, straight,
utur		Recognise matching shoes – or something similar that can be matched as a pair	
<		Recognise and create matching towers	
		Children match up towers of blocks that are made up of the same colours in the same order.	
	4	Match number shapes	
		Children identify matching Numicon shapes and begin to identify how they have the same number of holes.	
		Match the same size	flat.
		Sort objects, like counting bears, by creating groups of objects that are the same size	
		Match prints Children match prints that are the same shape, even though they might be different colours.	
		Sort by size	3 – 4 Year Olds:







	5	Children sort objects, like counting bears, by creating groups of objects that are the same size. Sort by colour Children sort objects that are 2 or 3 different colours Sort by shape Children sort objects, like buttons, by creating groups of objects that are the same shape. Sorting – What do you notice? Children talk about what the notice about the objects that have been grouped by an adult. Sorting – Guess My Rule Children are asked to identify how groups of objects have been sorted by identifying the similarities between the objects. They then sort objects based on their own criteria.	Make comparisons between objects relating to size. Complete inset puzzles. Compare sizes using gestures and language: 'bigger/little/small.'
Autumn 2	1	Number 1 – Subitising Children learn to recognise when there is 1 object in a set and how to show 1 on their fingers. Number 1 – Counting Children practise counting 1 object by touching them and saying '1'. Number 1 – Numeral Matching Children are introduced to the numeral 1 and match the numeral to amounts that show 1.	3 – 4 Year Olds: Develop fast recognition of up to 3 objects, without having to count them individually ('subitising'). Say one number for each item in order: 1,2,3,4,5. Know that the last number reached
	2	Number 2 – Subitising Dice Patterns Children will learn to recognise 2 dots, like they see on a dice, without counting them. Number 2 – Subitising Different Patterns Children will continue to recognise 2 objects without counting, this time in different arrangements Number 2 – Subitising Different Sizes and Patterns Children will learn to recognise when there are 2 dots, even if they are different sizes.	when counting a small set of objects tells you how many there are in total Show 'finger numbers' up to 5. Reception Link numerals and amounts: for example, showing the right number of objects to match the numeral, up to 5
	3	Number 2 - Counting - Say One Number for Each Item Children practise counting 2 objects by touching them or pointing to them as they '12'. Number 2 - Link Numeral and Amounts Children are introduced to the numeral 2 and link the numeral to amounts that show 2. Number 2 - Link Numeral and Amounts Children look at different fonts and images of number 2 and match them to the correct amount	
		Colour AB Patterns	3 – 4 Year Olds:







4	Children describe AB patterns from 2 different colours and predict what will come next in the pattern.	Extend and create ABAB patterns – stick, leaf, stick, leaf.
	Extend AB Patterns – Outdoor Objects	Notice and correct an error in a
	Children explore creating, describing and continuing AB patterns with natural objects	repeating pattern.
	Extend AB Patterns – Movement	
	In this lesson, children will continue AB patterns using movement of their body.	
5	Outdoor ABC Patterns	
	Children explore creating, describing and continuing ABC patterns with natural objects	
6	Consolidation	

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	1	Subitising 3	3 – 4 Year Olds: Develop fast
		Subitising 3 –Different Patterns	recognition of up to 3 objects,
		Subitising 3	without having to count them
		Children will learn to recognise when there are 3 dots, even if they are different sizes.	individually ('subitising')
	2	Counting to 3	
		Children focus on counting 3 objects.	
		Numeral 3	
		Children are introduced to what the numeral 3 looks like and learn what it represents.	
_		Continue to subitise and count to three	
D		Composition of 3	
Spring		Children are introduced to the idea that numbers are made up of smaller numbers	
Sp		and they will begin to explore what smaller numbers the number 3 is composed of.	
		Recognise triangles	
		Children learn that triangles are 2-D shapes that have 3 sides.	
		They are asked to identify triangles by counting their sides.	
	3	Counting 4	3 – 4 Year Olds:
		Children focus on counting 4 objects.	Say one number for each item in
		Numeral 4	order: 1,2,3,4,5.
		Children are introduced to what the numeral 4 looks like and match the numeral 4 to	King and the set the selection would be
		the quantity.	Know that the last number
		Recognise squares and rectangles	reached when counting a small







	Children learn that squares and rectangles are 2-D shapes that have 4 sides. They are asked to identify them by counting their sides.	set of objects tells you how many there are in total ('cardinal
4	Composition of 4 Children will continue to explore how numbers are composed of smaller numbers. In this lesson, they will explore what numbers make up the number 4, by moving frogs between a log and a pond.	principle'). Link numerals and amounts: for
	Composition of 4 Children will continue to explore how numbers are composed of smaller numbers. In this lesson, they will explore what numbers make up the number 4, by moving frogs exploring spots on a ladybird.	example, showing the right number of objects to match the numeral, up to 5. Experiment with their own symbols
	Composition of 4 Children will continue to explore how numbers are composed of smaller numbers. In this lesson, they will explore what numbers make up the number 4, by throwing 4 beanbags at a hoop.	and marks as well as numerals. Talk about and explore 2D and 3D shapes (for example, circles, rectangles, triangles and cuboids) using informal and mathematical language: 'sides', 'corners'; 'straight', 'flat', 'round'
5	Counting 5 Children focus on counting 5 objects Numeral 5 Children are introduced to what the numeral 5 looks like and match the numeral 5 to the quantity. Recognise pentagons Children learn that pentagons are 2-D shapes that have 5 sides.	
6	They are asked to identify them by counting their sides. Composition of 5 Children could explore the composition of 5 using numicon Composition of 5 Children explore fitting pieces of Numicon inside a number 5 'house' shape. Composition of 5	
	Provide children with variation – e.g. 2 different coloured spots on an object	

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Sprin g 2	1	Consolidation – Subitising Subitise counters on a 5 frame and objects arranged in dice patterns. Then, show the matching amount on your fingers Consolidation – Counting Count the toys in Crocodiles toybox	3 – 4 Year Olds Recite numbers past 5.







		Consolidation – Numerals Children see the numerals in different contexts and identify	Know that the last number
		which number they represent.	reached when counting a small
	2	Counting 6	set of objects tells you how many
		Children practise counting 6 objects with 1:1 correspondence.	there are in total ('cardinal
		Counting 6	principle').
		Children continue to practise counting 6 objects with 1:1 correspondence, in the	
		context of pennies	Link numerals and amounts: for
		Counting 6	example, showing the right
		Ten Frame Children are introduced to a ten frame and learn how 6 objects can be	number of objects to match the
_		arranged on a ten frame.	numeral, up to 5.
	3	Tall and Short	3 – 4 Year Olds
		Children compare the height of different objects using the word tall or short.	Make comparisons between
		Long or Short	objects relating to size, length,
		Children compare the length of different objects using the word long or short	weight and capacity.
	Tall / Long or Short		
		Children compare the height or length of different objects using the words long or tall	
	and short.		
	4	Mass – Introducing Balance Scales Children are introduced to balance scales. They	
		explore what happens when they put different objects in them. They hear the words	
		heavier and lighter.	
		Mass - Lighter Children use the balance scales to investigate which objects are lighter	
		Mass – Heavier or Lighter Children use the balance scales again but this time they say	
_		which object is heavier and which is lighter.	
	5	Capacity – Full or Empty Children explore containers that are full or empty, both	
		practically and pictorially.	
		Capacity – Nearly Full or Nearly Empty Children explore containers that are nearly full	
		or nearly empty	
		Capacity – Comparing Containers Children compare the capacity of different	
_		containers by directly pouring from one to the other.	
	6	Consolidation – Length	
		Children say which objects are longer or taller and shorter.	
		Consolidation – Mass	
		Children say which objects are heavier and which are lighter.	







	Consolidation
	Capacity Children compare the capacity of different containers

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	1	Sequencing	3 – 4 Year Olds:
		Children sequence pictures from a nursery rhyme.	Begin to describe a sequence of
		Sequencing	events, real or fictional, using
		Children sequence pictures from their daily routine.	words such as 'first', 'then'
		Sequencing	
		Children sequence pictures from a familiar story.	events, real or fictional, using
	2	Position - On and Under	3 – 4 Year Olds:
		Children place an object on or under a chair, a table etc.	Understand position through
		Position – In and Out	words alone for example, "The
		Children explore whether an object is in or out of a basket, bag etc	bag is under the table," with no
		Position – In Front or Behind	pointing
_		Children explore whether the gingerbread man is in front of or behind different	
er		animals	
Summer 1	3	Comparing Groups – More Than	3 – 4 Year Olds:
υn		Children look at two sets of objects and say which set has more.	Talk about and explore 2D and
S		Comparing Groups – Fewer Than	·
		Children look at two sets of objects and say which set has fewer.	
		Comparing Groups – More Than and Fewer	_
		Than Children look at two sets of objects and identify which set has more and which	
		set has fewer.	'straight', 'flat', 'round'
	4	2-D Shapes - Circles	
		Children learn to identify circles and they begin to learn some properties of a circle.	
		2-D Shapes – Triangles	
		Children learn to recognise triangles and begin to learn some of the properties of a	
		triangle	
		2-D Shapes - Rectangles Children learn to recognise rectangles. They learn that a	
		square is a special rectangle. They learn some of the properties of a rectangle.	







5	3-D Shapes – Cubes and Cuboids Children identify cubes and cuboids and begin to
	talk about some of their properties.
	3-D Shapes - Cylinders Children learn to recognise cylinders and begin to talk about
	some of their properties.
	3-D Shapes - Spheres Children learn to recognise spheres and begin to talk about
	some of their properties.
6	Consolidation – Sequencing Children put familiar events in the correct order.
	Consolidation - Position Children recap the vocabulary on, under, in, out, in front of and behind.
	Consolidation – More or Fewer Children compare two sets of objects and say which has more and which has fewer.

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	1	Composition of 3 Children explore the different pairs of numbers that make up number	3 – 4 Year Olds:
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		Composition of 4 Children explore the different pairs of numbers that make up number	l '
		4.	numbers to 10
		Number Composition	
		Children recap the different pairs of numbers that make up 3, 4 or 5.	
	2	What Comes After?	
2		Children explore jumping along the number line to find what comes after.	•
		What Comes After?	
Summer		Children count along the number track and fill in the missing number by identifying the	
Ę		number that comes after the numbers they know	
Sı		What Comes After?	
		Children sequence numerals to 5 by identifying what comes after each number.	
	3	What Comes Before? Children jump back along a number track to find the number	
		that comes before a given number	
		What Comes Before?	
		Children identify the missing number on a number track by identifying what number	
		comes before a given number	
		What Comes Before?	







	Children sequence numerals by counting backwards along a number line and identifying what comes before.	
4	Numbers to 5 Children count how many objects there are in a set and identify if there are enough of	3 – 4 Year Olds: Know that the last number
	each object for everyone.	reached when counting a small
	Numbers to 5	set of objects tells you how many
	Children work out what number is represented by different counting cards and then sequence them.	there are in total ('cardinal principle')
	Numbers to 5 Children complete mazes by working their way through the numerals in the correct order.	Link numerals and amounts: for example, showing the right number of objects to match the numeral, up to 5
		Solve real-world mathematical problems with numbers up to 5
5	Consolidation – Shape Patterns Children describe patterns made up of 2-D and 3-D sha	
	Consolidation – More or Fewer Children identify which has more and which has fewer or	ut of two sets of objects.
6	Consolidation – What Comes Before or After? Children use a number line to help them is a given number up to 5.	dentify what comes before or after
	Consolidation – Composition Children explore the composition of number 5, through the	e song '5 Green Bottles