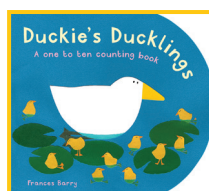




Theme: Everyday Numeracy

Book title: DUCKIE'S DUCKLINGS

By Frances Barry



Make some decorative bunting

You will need:

- Paints
- Trays (ice-cream lids or plates)
- Paper
- Glue or sticky tape
- String
- Templates (optional)

NOTE: This is a messy activity so maybe do this activity outside and use smocks

Instructions:

1. Help your child to place their hands in the paint and then stamp handprints onto the paper.
2. Count the handprints as you go. Decide with your child how many flags will be on your bunting.
3. Allow the handprints to dry and then cut out the handprint shapes.
4. Glue 1 handprint on to one flag template. Then glue 2 handprints onto the next flag, 3 onto the next and so on. You may like to write the numbers on the flags.
5. Glue or stick the flags onto a long piece of string to create bunting, hang up and enjoy re-counting your handprints!

Ideas:

If you don't do handprints then trace around your child's hand with a texta or pencil. Count their fingers as you trace. Colour in or decorate their handprints. Then continue from step 3.

Talk with your child about numbers in everyday life – while you are shopping chat about the items you are purchasing. How many items are on your shopping list? How many apples or potatoes are you buying? Do you need a big loaf of bread or a small one? How many slices in the loaf of bread? How many strawberries or tomatoes in a punnet?

Songs:

Five Little Ducks Went Out One Day, Five Cheeky Monkeys Jumping On The Bed, One Two Three Four Five Once I Caught A Fish Alive.

Key Message: Children are born ready to use and learn mathematics

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**Adult supervision is essential.
Involve and talk with your
child as much as possible.**

