

Helping your child succeed in Reception

*If you're ready to try, you're ready to
fly!*

- “We have found overwhelming evidence that children’s life chances are most heavily predicated on their development in the first five years of life. It is family background, parental education, good parenting and the opportunities for learning and development in those crucial years that together matter more to children than money, in determining whether their potential is realised in adult life”[1].
- Department for Education 2011

So what can you do to help?



1. Read, read, read, read, read

- **Increasingly, new research across many countries is showing that the best predictor of future education achievement and life success is reading ability - or, more significantly, being an engaged reader.**
- The engaged **reader**, according to John Guthrie, is "purposeful, intrinsically motivated, and socially interactive."

If you read just 1
book a day to your child,
they will have read 1825
books by their 5th
birthday.

Every Day Counts
Every Book Counts

- Young children whose parents read them five books a day enter kindergarten having heard about 1.4 million more words than children who were never read to, a new study found.
- This "million word gap" could be one key in explaining differences in vocabulary and reading development, said Jessica Logan, lead author of the study and assistant professor of educational studies at The Ohio State University.
- Even children who are read only one book a day will hear about 290,000 more words by age 5 than those who don't regularly read books with a parent or caregiver.
- "The word gap of more than 1 million words between children raised in a literacy-rich environment and those who were never read to is striking," Logan said

**“I will defend
the importance
of bedtime
stories to
my last gasp.”**

J. K. Rowling



Every child. Every parent. Every day.

2. To learn to fly, you have to arrive on time!

Attendance in early years is **just as important** as in the rest of the school.

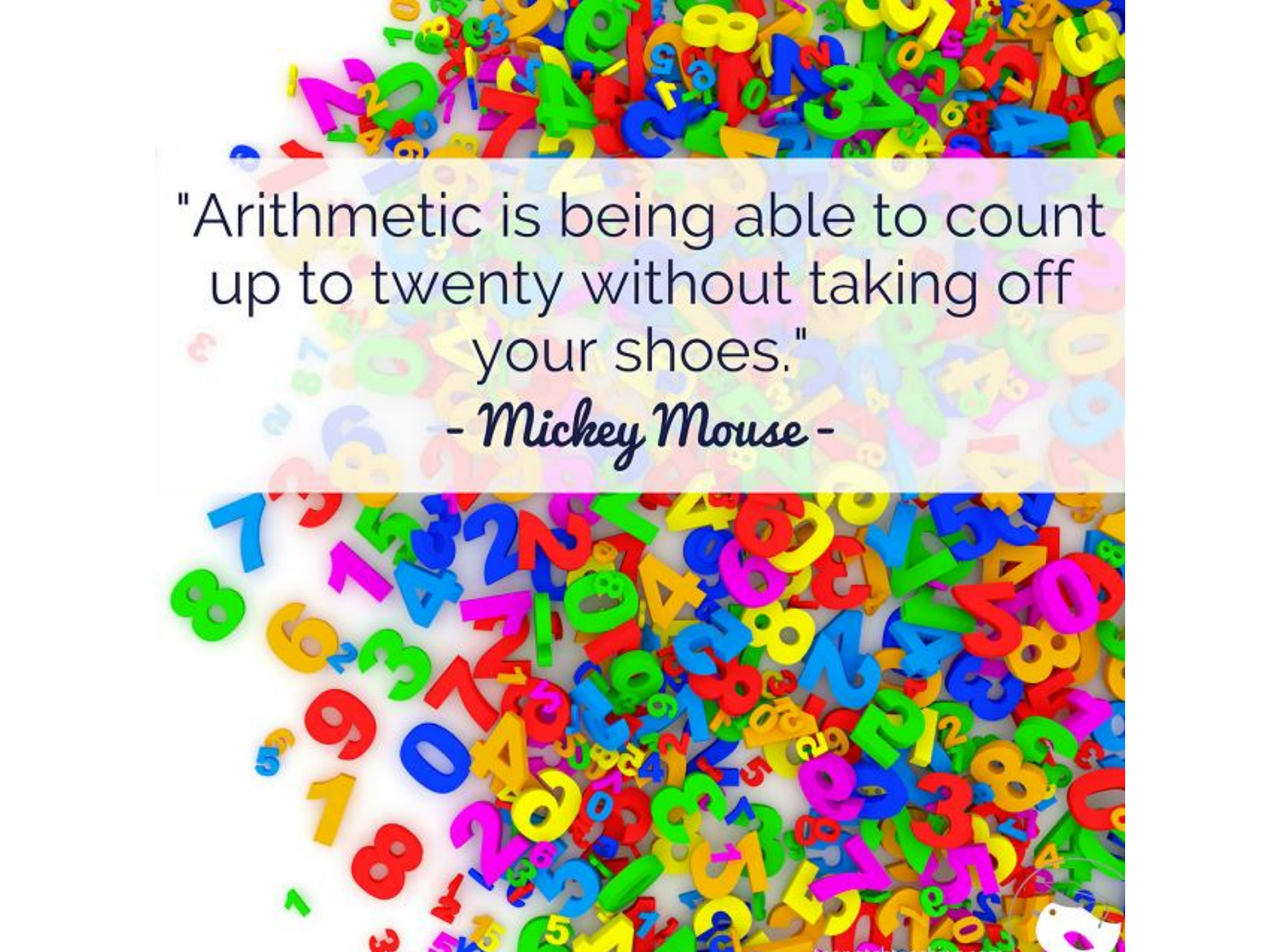
Remember, we are talking about building the foundations of your child's future learning!

3. Everyday Maths



- *Be positive about maths!!!*





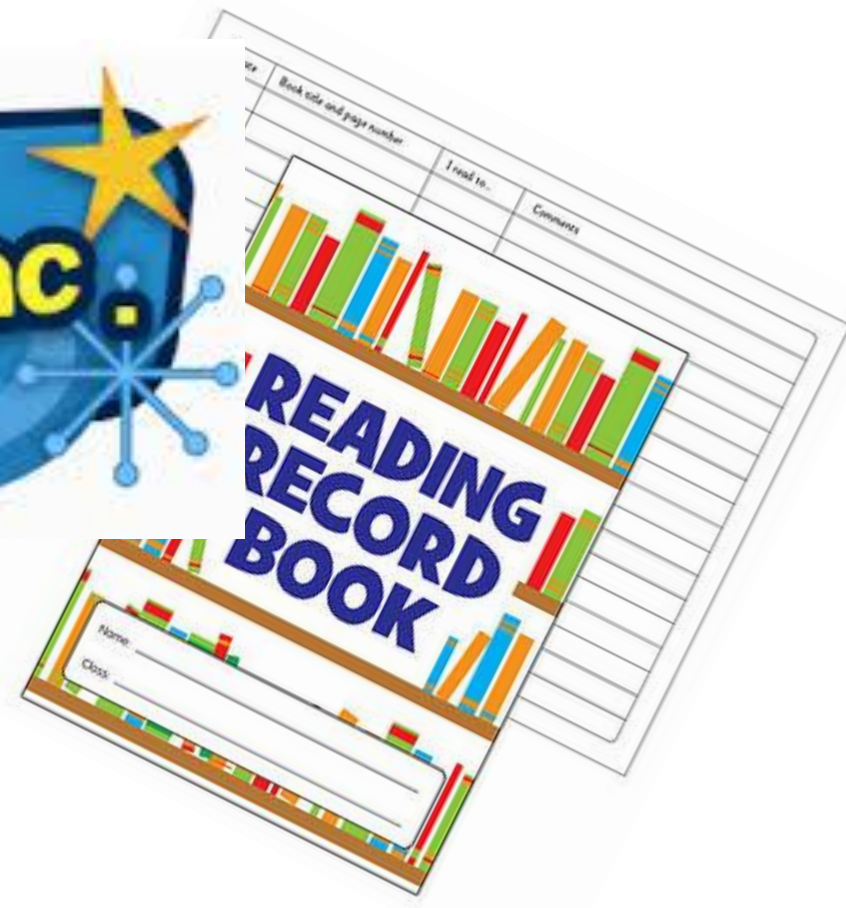
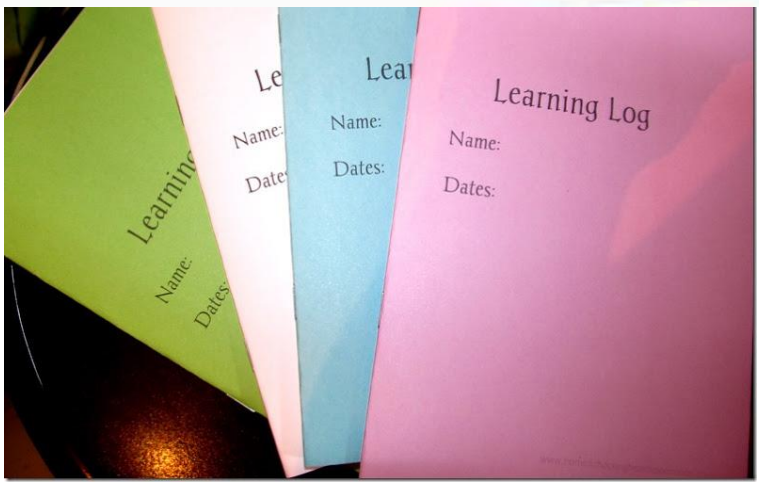
"Arithmetic is being able to count
up to twenty without taking off
your shoes."

- *Mickey Mouse* -

4. Share your adventures!

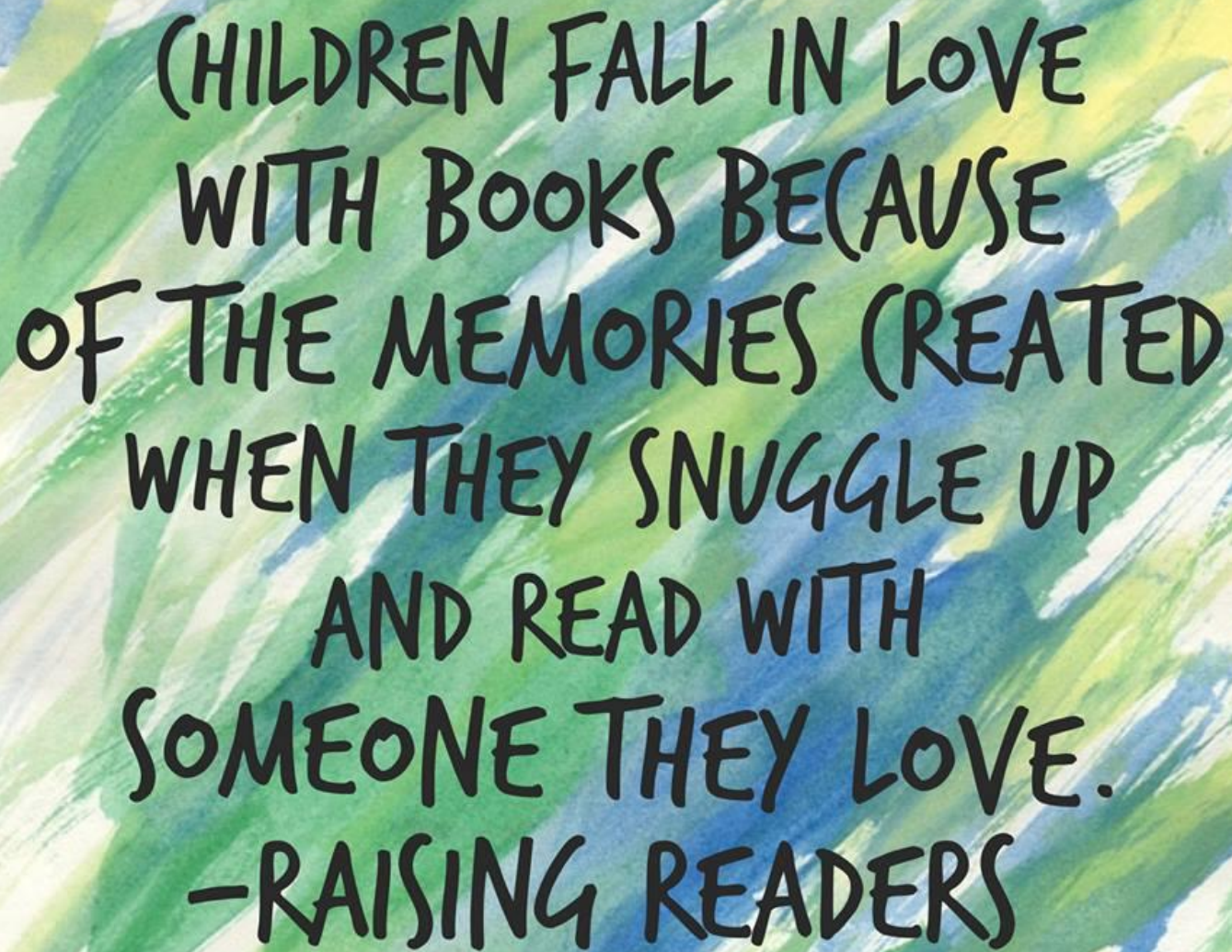


5. Support their learning at home!



1. Read, read, read, read, read
2. Arrive on time, every day
3. Be positive about maths!
4. Share your learning journey
5. Support their work at home

It's as easy as that!!!



(CHILDREN FALL IN LOVE
WITH BOOKS BECAUSE
OF THE MEMORIES (CREATED
WHEN THEY SNUGGLE UP
AND READ WITH
SOMEONE THEY LOVE.
-RAISING READERS