CALCULATING AND COUNTING RHYMES Teaching notes

Lesson 1: COUNTING FORWARDS AND BACK FROM 0-10

1 st session:	Reviewing numbers and practising some counting.
AIMS	 To review and recognise numbers 1-10. To practice counting numbers of selected objects. To work on social skills.
RESOURCES	 A computer and a data projector for the power point presentation. A collection of small interesting things such as shells, buttons, pebbles, pencils, some plates and a die. Supplementary material: (reviewing_numbers.ppt)
GROUPING	Half of the class.
DESCRIPTION OF THE ACTIVITIES	"Reviewing numbers" (reviewing_numbers.ppt). Slides 1-12 show the numerals in order to review them in an easy way. Slides 13-24 show the numbers in a non-chronological order to stimulate thinking skills. After watching the power point, count from 1-10 doing different actions such as: clapping hands, slapping legs, touching opposite knees, hopping, jogging, jumping 2nd activity: Game "Pass it on". Sitting in a circle, give each child a plate and let them select some 'treasure' to put on their plate (among 6 and 8 items). In turns, children roll the die and pass as many items as the die says from their plate to the

	next person. After each child plays 2 or 3 times, everybody counts his/her items. The results can be put in order according to quantity.
LANGUAGE	 Key vocabulary: Numerals 1-10, names of things that are the treasure (shells, stones, pencils, buttons), die-dice, Key phrases needed: What number is it? Whose turn is it? Roll the die please. How many do you have to pass on? How many do you have left? Well done! Good try! Excellent!
SKILLS	Speaking and listening. Numeracy and counting. Social skills