# **Core Skills Analysis**

#### **Mathematics**

- Recognised numbers and their corresponding locations on the bingo card, enhancing number identification skills.
- Practiced counting and matching skills by marking called numbers on their bingo cards.
- Developed understanding of probability and chance implicitly by experiencing random number selection
- Enhanced quick cognitive processing as they scanned cards for the called number.

# **Language Development**

- Improved listening skills by paying attention to the numbers called out clearly.
- Practiced verbal communication through calling numbers or interacting during the game.
- Expanded vocabulary by associating spoken numbers with visual symbols on the card.
- Developed turn-taking and social communication cues during gameplay.

## **Tips**

Tips: To deepen understanding, try creating custom bingo cards that integrate letters, words, or simple math problems to extend learning beyond number recognition. Incorporate storytelling by having students explain the numbers they mark or why they think they might win next. Also, play bingo in small groups to encourage collaboration, turn-taking, and social interaction. Finally, challenge students by introducing timed rounds or adding rules that require listening and critical thinking, such as requiring players to solve a math problem to mark a number.

#### **Book Recommendations**

- <u>Bingo</u> by Constance Husk: A classic children's book that introduces the fun and rhythm of the Bingo game through an engaging story.
- <u>Math Games: Bingo and Beyond</u> by Mary LeFever: This book offers a variety of fun mathrelated games including bingo that can be played at home or in classrooms.
- <u>Listening and Speaking: A Guide to Learning and Playing</u> by Jane Lawson: Perfect for developing language skills through interactive games such as bingo to enhance listening and verbal communication.

## **Learning Standards**

- ACMNA011 Recognise, model, represent and order numbers of the order of thousands.
- ACELA1458 Listen to and respond orally to texts and to the communication of others in informal and structured classroom situations.
- ACPPS015 Participate in games involving movement and develop skills to cooperate with others.
- ACELY1646 Use interaction skills, including listening while others speak, using appropriate voice levels, articulation and body language and wait for a turn to speak.

# **Try This Next**

- Create a worksheet where students design their own bingo cards based on numbers or words they are learning.
- Conduct a quiz asking students to recall numbers that were called during the game to enhance memory and attention.

## **Growth Beyond Academics**

Playing bingo supports emotional and social growth by encouraging attentiveness, patience during

turn-taking, and a sense of achievement when winning. It also fosters friendly competition and cooperation, which can boost confidence and improve social engagement among peers.