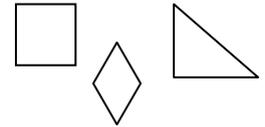


Explorers @ St George's



We've had pancake fun in Nursery. The children helped make real pancakes and enjoyed a Shrove Tuesday treat. There were opportunities to roll out and try tossing playdough pancakes, enjoy pancake stories, imagine weird and wonderful toppings for pancakes and practise using whisks to mix up lots of batter bubbles!

Next steps

Over the next couple of weeks we'll be following a mathematics theme with a focus on 2d shape. Learning activities will encourage the children to notice and talk about the properties of different 2d shapes. There will be opportunities to sort and match shapes, fit shapes together (tessellate) and use 2d shapes to create pictures. As familiarity increases the children will become confident identifying and naming 2d shapes. Older children will be encouraged to explore triangles and begin to understand that all three sided shapes are triangles even if they look different.

Ideas for home.....

Try to use as many 2d shape names as possible with your child. At Nursery we will be learning - circle, square, rectangle, oval, diamond and triangle.

- ✓ In normal daily chat try to use shape names e.g. 'a circle plate,' 'the rectangle table' etc.
- ✓ On your walk to school pick a shape and challenge your child to spot at least five e.g. five rectangles (brick, number plate, window, drain cover, the letter slot in a post box etc.)
Change shape on your next outing – some are easier than others!
- ✓ Have fun with snacks – create a circle snack e.g. sliced carrot and cucumber or make triangle sandwiches etc.

The more your child sees each shape and hears its name the more confident they will become at recognising and identifying 2d shapes on their own.

Forest Session

Our first forest session will be on the morning of **Thursday 14th March**. Don't forget to bring your child to Nursery wearing their full waterproofs, welly boots and hat!

A couple of hopefuls

If you have any old metal saucepans, plastic or metal bowls, plastic mugs or jugs, cupcake tins or wooden spoons that you are clearing out we'd love to give them a home in our mud kitchen.



It would be great if you could help us in our search to find an unwanted barrel-roller for water (camping style) We need one to transport water to play with in the mud kitchen – please keep your eyes peeled on visits to the recycling centre and free-cycle, many thanks!

Many thanks for your continuing support,
Miss Gander, Mrs Brace and the Nursery Team
8/3/19