





# Family Learning



Mathematics- Shape, Space and Measurement



## Mathematics

**Mathematics** involves providing children with opportunities to develop and improve their skills in:

- Counting, understanding and using numbers
- Calculating simple addition and subtraction problems
- Describing shapes, spaces, and measurement







# Shape, Space and Measurement

• Children use everyday language to talk about:

size, weight, capacity, position, distance, time and money to compare quantities and objects and to solve problems.

- Children recognise, create and describe patterns.
- Children explore characteristics of everyday objects and shapes and use mathematical language to describe them.





measurement

path towards numeracy skills and confidence in

### What does it look like in the classroom?

- Model and encourage use of mathematical language
- Stories, singing, rhymes and finger plays
- Model the language for shape, position and measurement in discussions i.e. `in', `on', `inside', `under', long, longer', `longest', `short', `shorter', 'shortest', `heavy', `light', `full' and `empty'.
- Encourage children to talk about the shapes they see and use and how they are arranged and used in constructions.
- Value children's constructions, for example helping to display them or taking photographs of them, inclusion in Learning Journals.
- Maths Meeting explores positional language, shape, length, height, mass.
- Cooking or making playdough.
- Role play areas



### Shape, Space and Measurement Activities

#### Measurement

\*Mass: comparing and weighing items using non-standard/standard measurement \*Length: draw around foot/ hand, measure length and compare size/length





#### Shape

\*Construction: make a shape out
of lolly sticks, playdough or wool
\*Drawing: create a shape picture
by tracing around various shapes





Space \*Positional Language: Place item in different positions and describe \*Patterns: Create a pattern using the peg boards

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\*Using non-standard/standard measurement





Can you **estimate** and **compare** the weight of 2 items using your hands or the scales ? (Which is heavier and which is lighter ?) \*Using non-standard measurement







Can you trace around your foot or hand and measure the length of it using the items ? Can you compare the size and length ? (Which is bigger, which is smaller ? Which is longer, which is shorter ?)



# Shape Construction



Can you make a shape out of lolly sticks, wool or playdough ? (What shape have you made ? How many vertices and corners does it have?)



Can you create a shape picture by tracing around the different shapes ? (What shapes have you included in your picture ?)



## Positional Language Game



Can you place an item in different positions and get your partner to describe where it is ? (Is it above, on top, under, below, next to, beside ?)



### Can you create a pattern using the peg boards? (What colours have you used ?)