

Class Atlantis Maths: we are learning about shape this term.

Introducing squares

Some examples of squares that you may find around the house are children's books, cushions, dice and blocks from construction kits. You could show your child one example of a square, encouraging them to touch the straight edges and the corners and naming it for them "square", and see if you can find more squares around the house together.

Here are some follow-up ideas:

- Have a snack made up of squares- for example cream crackers, cheese cut into squares, square crisps etc.
- Look for squares on your daily walk.
- Make a sensory tray using shaving foam, flour, oats, rice or lentils, and encourage your child to make square shapes in it, or hide some squares in it for them to find.
- You can do the same outdoors by encouraging your child to draw squares with sticks in the mud, soil, sand or compost.

