

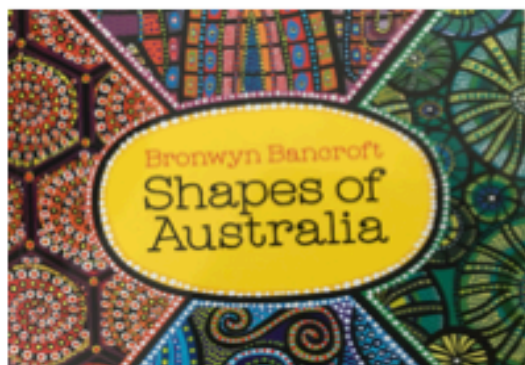
Bilby Newsletter Term 2 – Exploring Shapes

Our interest in shapes began when Caleb was at the play dough table. He noticed a square tile. He held it up and said “square” then he turned it and said “diamond”.

We began drawing shapes. Harry’s skyscraper, Van’s mouth circle and Mad’s circles are a few examples.

We looked at shapes in nature and man made shapes.

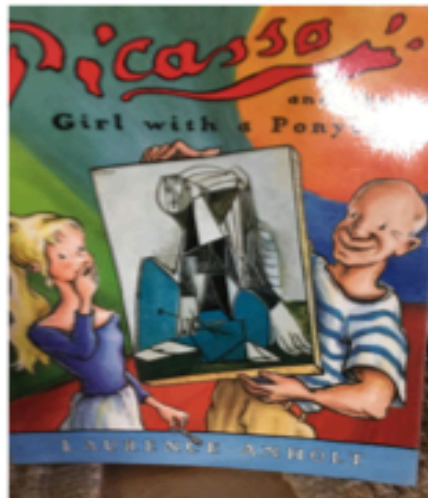
Shapes began to be incorporated into the children’s play in other ways.



We introduced magnetic shapes to learn about shapes within shapes, 2 dimensional and 3 dimensional construction. Banjo experimented with pattern making.

As the play deepened, props were incorporated and narratives and imaginative play developed.





We looked at our bodies and the shapes we found.

Picasso's triangulation was a natural extension.

The children made their own pictures.

Ari – "It's an evil robot cause it has red eyes."

Van made the planets.

Kira made a playground with a slippery slide.

Harry – "This turns and it moves this. It's a building site."





Our excursion to see shapes in art.

"Geochrome" at Nolan on Lovel Gallery.

Fascinating and inspiring!



The children made beautiful art of their own upon their return to preschool. Here are examples from Mad's and Adeline. Mirrors add a new dimension.



Our interest and learning about shapes continues. Please take some time to look in our floor book for more detailed documentation and analysis or to make a suggestion.