Bowmansgreen Primary School

Progression of Geometry: Properties of Shape



National Curriculum (Statutory Requirements)

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Recognise and name common 2-D and 3-D shapes, including: • 2-D shapes [for example, rectangles (including squares), circles and triangles] • 3-D shapes [for example, rectangles]	Identify and describe the properties of 2-D shapes, including the number of sides and symmetry in a vertical line. Identify and describe the properties of 3-D shapes, including the number of edges, vertices and faces. Identify 2-D shapes on the surface of 3-D shapes, [for example a circle on a cylinder and a triangle on a pyramid]. Compare and sort common 2-D and 3-D shapes and everyday objects.	Pear 3 Draw 2-D shapes and make 3-D shapes using modelling materials; recognise 3-D shapes in different orientations and describe them. Recognise angles as a property of shape or a description of a turn. Identify right angles, recognise that two right angles make a half-turn, three make three quarters of a turn and four a complete turn; identify whether angles are greater than or less than a right angle. Identify horizontal and vertical lines and pairs of perpendicular and parallel lines.	Year 4 Compare and classify geometric shapes, including quadrilaterals and triangles, based on their properties and sizes. Identify acute and obtuse angles and compare and order angles up to two right angles by size. Identify lines of symmetry in 2-D shapes presented in different orientations. Complete a simple symmetric figure with respect to a specific line of symmetry.	Identify 3-D shapes, including cubes and other cuboids, from 2-D representations. Know angles are measured in degrees: estimate and compare acute, obtuse and reflex angles. Draw given angles, and measure them in degrees (°). Identify: • Angles at a point and one whole turn (total 360°) • Angles at a point on a straight line and ½ a turn (total 180°) • Other multiples of 90° • Use the properties of rectangles to deduce related facts and find missing lengths and angles • Distinguish between regular and irregular polygons based on reasoning about equal sides and angles	Year 6 Draw 2-D shapes using given dimensions and angles. Recognise, describe and build simple 3-D shapes, including making nets. Compare and classify geometric shapes based on their properties and sizes and find unknown angles in any triangles, quadrilaterals, and regular polygons. Illustrate and name parts of circles, including radius, diameter and circumference and know that the diameter is twice the radius. Recognise angles where they meet at a point, are on a straight line, or are vertically opposite, and find missing angles.

Notes and Guidance (Non-Statutory)

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Pupils handle common	Pupils handle and name	Pupils' knowledge of the	Pupils continue to	Pupils become accurate	Pupils draw shapes and
2-D and 3-D shapes,	a wider variety of	properties of shapes is	classify shapes using	in drawing lines with a	nets accurately, using
naming these and	common 2-D and 3-D	extended at this stage to	geometrical properties,	ruler to the nearest	measuring tools and
related everyday objects	shapes including:	symmetrical and non-	extending to classifying	millimetre, and	conventional markings
fluently. They recognise	quadrilaterals and	symmetrical polygons	different triangles (for	measuring with a	and labels for lines and
these shapes in different	polygons, and cuboids,	and polyhedra.	example, isosceles,	protractor. They use	angles.
orientations and sizes,	prisms and cones, and		equilateral, scalene) and	conventional markings	
and know that	identify the properties	Pupils extend their use	quadrilaterals (for	for parallel lines and	Pupils describe the
rectangles, triangles,	of each shape (for	of the properties of	example, parallelogram,	right angles.	properties of shapes and
cuboids and pyramids	example, number of	shapes.	rhombus, trapezium).		explain how unknown
are not always similar to each other.	sides, number of faces). Pupils identify, compare and sort shapes on the basis of their properties and use vocabulary precisely, such as sides, edges, vertices and faces. Pupils read and write names for shapes that are appropriate for their word reading and spelling. Pupils draw lines and shapes using a straight edge.	They should be able to describe the properties of 2-D and 3-D shapes using accurate language, including lengths of lines and acute and obtuse for angles greater or lesser than a right angle. Pupils connect decimals and rounding to drawing and measuring straight lines in centimetres, in a variety of contexts.	Pupils compare and order angles in preparation for using a protractor and compare lengths and angles to decide if a polygon is regular or irregular. Pupils draw symmetric patterns using a variety of media to become familiar with different orientations of lines of symmetry; and recognise line symmetry in a variety of diagrams, including where the line of symmetry does not dissect the original shape.	Pupils use the term diagonal and make conjectures about the angles formed by diagonals and sides, and other properties of quadrilaterals, for example using dynamic geometry ICT tools. Pupils use angle sum facts and other properties to make deductions about missing angles and relate these to missing number problems.	angles and lengths can be derived from known measurements. These relationships might be expressed algebraically for example, d = 2 × r; a = 180 - (b + c).