

Ashwell Primary School

Maths Curriculum

Geometry: Properties of Shape and Position and Direction *Skills & Knowledge Progression*



NURSERY – Shape, Position and Direction

Core knowledge to be acquired:

- Talk about and explore 2D and 3D shapes (for example, circles, rectangles, triangles and cuboids) using informal and mathematical language: 'sides', 'corners'; 'straight', 'flat', 'round'.
- Understand position through words alone – for example, "The bag is under the table," – with no pointing.
- Describe a familiar route.
- Discuss routes and locations, using words like 'in front of' and 'behind'.
- Make comparisons between objects relating to size, length, weight and capacity
- Select shapes appropriately: flat surfaces for building, a triangular prism for a roof etc.
- Combine shapes to make new ones – an arch, a bigger triangle etc.
- Talk about and identifies the patterns around them. For example: stripes on clothes, designs on rugs and wallpaper. Use informal language like 'pointy', 'spotty', 'blobs' etc.
- Create closed shapes with continuous lines, and begin to use these shapes to represent objects. (EAD)

Key Vocabulary:

Shape:

shape, pattern, round, sort, make, build, draw, size, bigger, larger, smaller, match, corner, side, rectangle, square, circle, triangle.

Position and direction:

over, under, above, below, top, bottom, side, on, in, outside, inside, around, in front, behind, front, back, next to, up, down, forwards, backwards.

What comes next:

- Select, rotate and manipulate shapes in order to develop spatial reasoning skills.
- Compose and decompose shapes so that children recognise a shape can have other shapes within it, just as numbers can.
- Continue, copy and create repeating patterns.

RECEPTION – Shape, Position and Direction

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- Select, rotate and manipulate shapes in order to develop spatial reasoning skills.
- Compose and decompose shapes so that children recognise a shape can have other shapes within it, just as numbers can.
- Continue, copy and create repeating patterns.

Key Vocabulary (in addition to previous year group):

Shape:

flat, curved, straight, hollow, solid, symmetrical, repeating pattern, face, edge, vertex, vertices, cube, pyramid, sphere, cone.

Position and direction:

beside, opposite, apart, between, middle, edge, corner, direction, left, right, sideways, across, next to, close, near, far, along, through, towards, away from, movement, slide, roll, turn, stretch, bend, whole turn, half turn.

Prior knowledge / skills this builds on:

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- Create closed shapes with continuous lines, and begin to use these shapes to represent objects. (EAD)

What comes next:

- Recognise and name common 2-D shapes [e.g.: rectangles (including squares), circles and triangles].
- Recognise and name common 3-D shapes [e.g.: cuboids (including cubes), pyramids and spheres].
- Describe position, directions and movement, including half, quarter and three-quarter turns.

YEAR 1 – Shape, Position and Direction

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Key Vocabulary (in addition to previous year group):

Shape:
symmetry, symmetrical pattern, point, pointed, cuboid, cylinder.

Position and Direction:

underneath, centre, journey, quarter turn, three-quarter turn.

What comes next:

- Compare and sort common 2-D and 3-D shapes and everyday objects.
- Identify and describe the properties of 2-D shapes, including the number of sides and line 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, [e.g.: a circle on a cylinder and a triangle on a pyramid].
- Order and arrange combinations of mathematical objects in patterns and sequences.
- Use mathematical vocabulary to describe position, direction and movement, including movement in a straight line and distinguishing between rotation as a turn and in terms of right angles for quarter, half and three-quarter turns (clock-wise and anti-clockwise).

YEAR 2 – Shape, Position and Direction

Core knowledge to be acquired:

- Compare and sort common 2-D and 3-D shapes and everyday objects.
- Identify and describe the properties of 2-D shapes, including the number of sides and line symmetry in a vertical line.
- Identify and describe the properties of 3-D shapes including the number of edges, vertices and faces.
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Prior knowledge / skills this builds on:

- Recognise and name common 2-D shapes [e.g.: rectangles (including squares), circles and triangles].
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Key Vocabulary (in addition to previous year group):

Shape:
surface, line symmetry, rectangular, circular, triangular, pentagon, hexagon, octagon

Position and Direction:

route, higher, lower, clockwise, anti-clockwise, right angle, straight line.

What comes next:

- Identify horizontal, vertical lines and pairs of perpendicular and parallel lines.
- Draw 2-D shapes.
- Make 3-D shapes using modelling materials; recognise 3-D shapes in different orientations and describe them.
- Recognise that angles are 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.

YEAR 3 – Shape, Position and Direction

Core knowledge to be acquired:

- Identify horizontal, vertical lines and pairs of perpendicular and parallel lines.
- Draw 2–D shapes.
- Make 3–D shapes using modelling materials; recognise 3–D shapes in different orientations and describe them.
- Recognise that angles are 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.

Key Vocabulary (in addition to previous year group):

Shape:

pentagonal, hexagonal, octagonal, quadrilateral, right-angled, parallel, perpendicular, hemisphere, prism, triangular prism, kite.

Position and Direction:

compass point, horizontal, vertical, diagonal, angle, ...is a greater/smaller angle than, acute angle, obtuse angle.

Prior knowledge / skills this builds on:

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- Use mathematical vocabulary to describe position, direction and movement, including movement in a straight line and distinguishing between rotation as a turn and in terms of right angles for quarter, half and three-quarter turns (clock-wise and anti-clockwise).

What comes next:

- Compare and classify geometric shapes, including quadrilaterals and triangles based on their properties and sizes.
- 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 acute and obtuse angles and compare and order angles up to two right angles by size.
- Describe movements between positions as translations of a given unit to the left/right and up/down.
- Describe positions on a 2–D grid as co-ordinates in the first quadrant.
- Plot specified points and draw sides to complete a given polygon.

YEAR 4 – Shape, Position and Direction

Core knowledge to be acquired:

- Compare and classify geometric shapes, including quadrilaterals and triangles based on their properties and sizes.
- 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 acute and obtuse angles, compare and order angles up to two right angles by size.
- Describe movements between positions as translations of a given unit to the left/right and up/down.
- Describe positions on a 2–D grid as co-ordinates in the first quadrant.
- Plot specified points and draw sides to complete a given polygon.

Key Vocabulary (in addition to previous year group):

Shape:

base, square-based, reflect, reflection, regular, irregular, two-dimensional, rectilinear, equilateral triangle, isosceles triangle, scalene triangle, heptagon, parallelogram, rhombus, trapezium, polygon, three-dimensional, spherical, cylindrical, tetrahedron, polyhedron.

Position and Direction:

translate, translation, rotate, rotation, degree, set square, angle measurer, compass, north-east, south-west, etc.

Prior knowledge / skills this builds on:

- Identify horizontal, vertical lines and pairs of perpendicular and parallel lines.
- Draw 2–D shapes
- Make 3–D shapes using modelling materials; recognise 3–D shapes in different orientations and describe them.
- Recognise that angles are 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.

What comes next:

- 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.
- 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.
- Identify:
 - angles at a point and one whole turn (total 360°)
 - angles at a point on a straight line and $\frac{1}{2}$ a turn (total 180°)
 - other multiples of 90°

- Draw given angles and measure them in degrees (°).
- Identify, describe and represent the position of a shape following a reflection or translation, using the appropriate language, and know that the shape has not changed.

YEAR 5 – Shape, Position and Direction

Core knowledge to be acquired:

- 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.
- 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.
- Identify:
 - angles at a point and one whole turn (total 360°)
 - angles at a point on a straight line and $\frac{1}{2}$ a turn (total 180°)
 - other multiples of 90°
- Draw given angles and measure them in degrees (°).
- Identify, describe and represent the position of a shape following a reflection or translation, using the appropriate language, and know that the shape has not changed.

Key Vocabulary (in addition to previous year group):

Shape:

radius, diameter, congruent, axis of symmetry, reflective symmetry, x-axis, y-axis, quadrant, octahedron.

Position and Direction:

coordinate, protractor.

Prior knowledge / skills this builds on:

- Compare and classify geometric shapes, including quadrilaterals and triangles based on their properties and sizes.
- 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 acute and obtuse angles and compare and order angles up to two right angles by size.
- Describe movements between positions as translations of a given unit to the left/right and up/down.
- Describe positions on a 2–D grid as co-ordinates in the first quadrant.
- Plot specified points and draw sides to complete a given polygon.

What comes next:

- Compare and classify geometric shapes based on their properties and sizes.
- Describe simple 3–D shapes.
- Draw 2–D shapes using given dimensions and angles.
- Recognise and build simple 3D shapes, including making nets.
- Find unknown angles in any triangles, quadrilaterals and regular polygons.
- Recognise angles where they meet at a point, are on a straight line, or are vertically opposite, and find missing angles.
- Illustrate and name parts of circles, including radius, diameter and circumference and know that the diameter is twice the radius.
- Draw and translate simple shapes on the co-ordinate plane, and reflect them in the axes.
- Describe positions on the full co-ordinate grid (all four quadrants).
- Solve problems involving similar shapes where the scale factor is known or can be found (link to Ratio strand).

YEAR 6 – Shape, Position and Direction

Core knowledge to be acquired:

- Compare and classify geometric shapes based on their properties and sizes.
- Describe simple 3–D shapes.
- Draw 2–D shapes using given dimensions and angles.
- Recognise and build simple 3D shapes, including making nets.
- Find unknown angles in any triangles, quadrilaterals and regular polygons.
- Recognise angles where they meet at a point, are on a straight line, or are vertically opposite, and find missing angles.
- Illustrate and name parts of circles, including radius, diameter and circumference and know that the diameter is twice the radius.
- Draw and translate simple shapes on the co-ordinate plane, and reflect them in the axes.
- Describe positions on the full co-ordinate grid (all four quadrants).
- Solve problems involving similar shapes where the scale factor is known or can be found (link to Ratio strand).

Key Vocabulary (in addition to previous year group) :

Shape:

circumference, concentric, arc, net, intersecting, intersection, plane, dodecahedron.

Position and Direction:

reflex angle.

Prior knowledge / skills this builds on:

- 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.
- 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.
- Identify:
 - angles at a point and one whole turn (total 360°)
 - angles at a point on a straight line and $\frac{1}{2}$ a turn (total 180°)
 - other multiples of 90°
- Draw given angles and measure them in degrees ($^\circ$).
- Identify, describe and represent the position of a shape following a reflection or translation, using the appropriate language, and know that the shape has not changed.

What comes next:

Key Stage 3: Geometry

- draw and measure line segments and angles in geometric figures, including interpreting scale drawings
- derive and use the standard ruler and compass constructions (perpendicular bisector of a line segment, constructing a perpendicular to a given line from/at a given point, bisecting a given angle); recognise and use the perpendicular distance from a point to a line as the shortest distance to the line
- describe, sketch and draw using conventional terms and notations: points, lines, parallel lines, perpendicular lines, right angles, regular polygons, and other polygons that are reflectively and rotationally symmetric
- use the standard conventions for labelling the sides and angles of triangle ABC, and know and use the criteria for congruence of triangles
- derive and illustrate properties of triangles, quadrilaterals, circles, and other plane figures [for example, equal lengths and angles] using appropriate language and technologies
- identify properties of, and describe the results of, translations, rotations and reflections applied to given figures
- identify and construct congruent triangles, and construct similar shapes by enlargement, with and without coordinate grids
- apply the properties of angles at a point, angles at a point on a straight line, vertically opposite angles

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ understand and use the relationship between parallel lines and alternate and corresponding angles▪ derive and use the sum of angles in a triangle and use it to deduce the angle sum in any polygon, and to derive properties of regular polygons▪ apply angle facts, triangle congruence, similarity and properties of quadrilaterals to derive results about angles and sides, including Pythagoras' Theorem, and use known results to obtain simple proofs▪ use Pythagoras' Theorem and trigonometric ratios in similar triangles to solve problems involving right-angled triangles▪ use the properties of faces, surfaces, edges and vertices of cubes, cuboids, prisms, cylinders, pyramids, cones and spheres to solve problems in 3-D▪ interpret mathematical relationships both algebraically and geometrically. |
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