

Autumn Block 4

# Circles and triangles

# Teacher guidance



## Key books

- *Circle, Triangle, Elephant! A Book of Shapes and Surprises* by Kenji Oikawa and Mayuko Takeuchi
- *Triangle* by Mac Barnett and Jon Klassen
- *Shapes, Shapes, Shapes* by Tana Hoban
- *We're Going on a Bear Hunt* by Michael Rosen
- *Rosie's Walk* by Pat Hutchins

## Top tips

- Parents and children can be encouraged to bring in loose parts, such as bottle tops and lids, to support activities and learning in this block. What different sizes can they find? These can be used as discussion points as you make a collection together.
- Ensure that the resources used for exploring shapes are of varied sizes and shown in different orientations.
- Having a tablet available next to the maths area will encourage children to take photographs of their own shape arrangements and show adults and other children what they have created.

## Key resources



## Small steps

Step 1

Identify and name circles and triangles

Step 2

Compare circles and triangles

Step 3

Shapes in the environment

Step 4

Describe position