

Maths lesson outside the classroom

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On the 10th of October, year 4.3 had the first Mathematics lesson outside the classroom. The topic at hand was flat shapes (2d shapes). After a 30 minutes Physical Education session, the children were divided in small groups. Each group was given a set of shape flashcards. The children were left free to sort the shapes according to different properties. As a matter of fact, the children realised that one can sort flat shapes according to the number of sides. For this type of activity, being outside in a spacious environment provided for better teamwork. As group members were freer to move around, they were more comfortable and had their own group space. This Maths lesson continued with the children forming a circle and identifying the names of different flat shapes (example, an octagon is a shape with eight sides). Finally, children observed the use of flat shapes in the environment around them. This was a fun learning experience for the children which resulted in higher levels of motivation and engagement.



