

Homemade Wrapping Paper

A 'Messy play' pattern activity for individuals or groups

What you will need

- A large selection of Numicon Shapes
- Brightly coloured paints
- Large sheets of tissue paper or large rolls of plain wrapping paper.

What to do

- Ask children to create their own wrapping paper designs by printing repeating patterns using the Numicon Shapes.
- Children can start by copying the examples on this page before creating their own.
- Increase the complexity of the patterns by increasing the choice of colours and Shapes.
- Make the activity simpler by using the Numicon Pegs instead of the Shapes and using fewer colours of paint.

