

# BE THE AGENT



## DAY 1

Dear Parents:

Welcome to WQED's **Be the Agent** *Odd Squad Camp*. Today, your child became an Odd Squad Agent, ready to use STEM (science, technology, engineering, math) skills to solve all sorts of odd problems and strange cases.

At camp today, the theme was *The Shape of Things* – a day all about shapes and related concepts. Agents worked together to solve *The Case of Common Chris* and learned that two or more shapes can be put together to make another shape. For example, two triangles can make a square or a rectangle.

The game Pienado! is a great way to learn how to makes shapes too! The game is available on [pbskids.org/oddsquad/games/](http://pbskids.org/oddsquad/games/). In Pienado!, children combine shapes to make other shapes and patch the force field.

You and your child can continue having fun with Odd Squad at home, using the same ideas they learned about shapes today. Attached to this letter is an activity you can do with your child called, **Shape Quest**. Together, you and your child can solve a series of five different cases that will help to build knowledge of shapes.

Some related books to look out for at the library include:

- *The Greedy Triangle* by Marilyn Burns
- *Grandfather Tang's Story* by Ann Tompert and Robert Andrew Parker
- *Shapes, Shapes, Shapes* by Tana Hoben

You can encourage your child to continue exploring these and other math concepts at [pbskids.org/oddsquad](http://pbskids.org/oddsquad). And, as always, your family can watch Odd Squad and other PBS KIDS shows on WQED and anytime at [pbskids.org](http://pbskids.org).