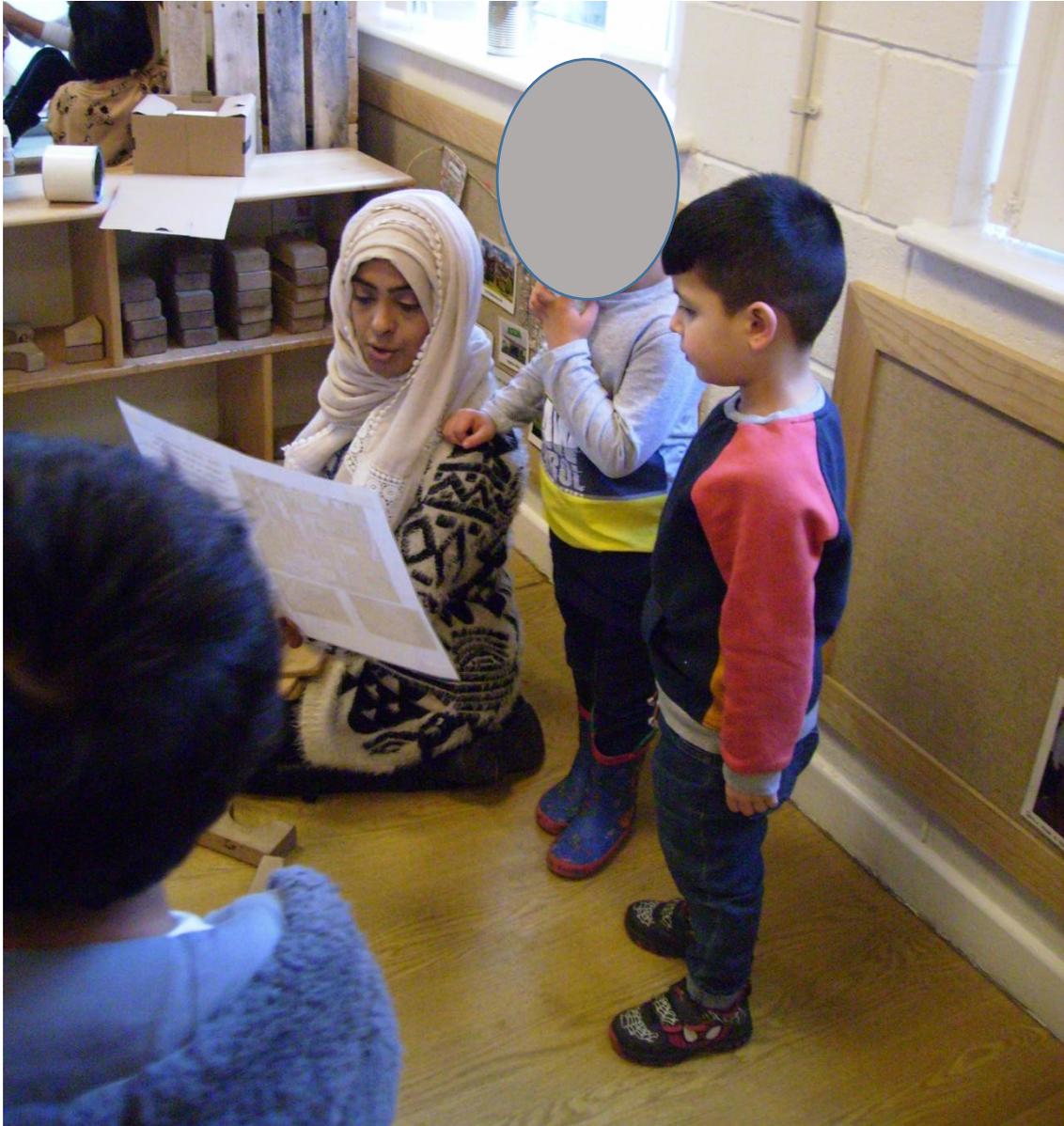


Building a Castle



The children in Blue Room have been really interested in one of the photographs in the construction area, they asked Zahila to read what it said about the model, they then decided it was a castle and they wanted to build one for themselves. They revisited the building area over the course of the week making lots of different structures and castles.

We added some recycled materials to extend the way the children used the building materials and we also added some wild animals to fit with our core story.



K and AK ask Zahila to read about the picture which has been on the display in nursery.

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G looks at the photo of the structure and says **"We need to build it like that, a castle"**.

I ask him what he will need to build the castle.

He picks up two bricks and says **"First we need these two bricks"**.

Another child joins the building and we talk about working together as a team.

G then picks up two hollow bricks **"a small robot arm and a big one"** he says to himself as he adds the bricks to the building.

His model then begins to fall over so I model how he needs more bricks at the bottom and the smaller ones at the top.

G continues to build with the hollow bricks until he has a tall tower, finally he picks up the small triangular brick and says

"This triangle for the roof" as he holds it up to show me. Another child then tries to add the triangular brick

"Not ready for the roof yet" he says

Whilst he is building G constantly checks the photo he looked at in the beginning. When another child joins him he says **"we need it like that"** as he points to the photography.

"I just finish" he says as he places the triangular brick on the top.

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G finished castle with the triangular brick on top

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K used the recycle materials and balanced the bricks on top of the cans, he also added a cardboard box. Let's add two tins he says to his friend.