



A+iZinto, part of Africa A+Schools is a materials centre that collects, curates and displays discarded materials for creative teaching and learning. Based on the Reggio Emilia approach in which the REMIDA serves as an integral part of learning. The collection includes from household recyclables such as bottle tops, plastic containers and lids, to wood flooring and carpet off-cuts and fabrics. The centre also collects unusual objects that invite inquiry, such as large plastic bobbins and heavy duty cardboard tubes. All contain creative possibilities!



The aim of A+iZinto is to inspire creative teaching and learning through the arts and inquiry. One important aspect is the use of materials as loose parts. (<https://africaaplus.org.za/?p=1139>). Loose parts offer children many opportunities for learning. For example, playing with wooden flooring off cuts may open up learning around arrangement, balance, and height through stacking, placing, and constructing. Through their designing and redesigning, children discover the physical properties of the materials they engage with that can stimulate further experimentation. This allows children to build on their learning.

#### Why visit us?

- We offer access to materials to stimulate creative, problem solving learning that engages young minds.
- We offer opportunities to train teachers on the concept of 'loose parts'.
- We offer opportunities for learners to understand the importance of recycling.
- We offer a space for creative endeavours.

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