7.5 - Reasoning about Properties of Polygons - Mobile Activity

Purpose: To investigate the centroid of triangles and quadrilaterals.

To decorate the classroom!

Cardboard (or some other sturdy material) <u>Materials</u>:

String (fishing line, etc)

Weights (may be necessary depending of type of string)

Masking Tape

Rulers Scissors

- <u>Procedure</u>: 1 Cut out at least 6 triangles and quadrilaterals of different dimensions.
 - 2 Calculate the centroid of each polygon.
 - 3 The centroid of one quadrilateral must be calculated using diagonals (trapezoid or kite).
 - 4 Ensure your shapes hang perfectly horizontal from a piece of string.
 - 5 Show all centroid calculations (the intersection of the bimedian and/or diagonal lines) on the bottom of each shape for easy viewing from ground level.

Due:

