



Design and technology Curriculum overview

Kapow Primary offers full coverage of the KS1 and KS2 Design and technology curriculum and we have categorised our content into five areas:

Cooking and nutrition

Mechanisms

Structures

Textiles

Electrical systems

Year group	Cooking and nutrition	Mechanisms	Structures	Textiles	Electrical systems					
	Aside from Electrical systems, which is KS2 only, each of these acts as the focus for a unit within each year group									
	Fruit and vegetables	Moving story book	Windmills	Puppets						
1	Smoothie	Wheels and axles								
	A balanced diet	Moving monsters	Baby bear's chair	Pouches						
2		Ferris wheels								
3	Eating seasonally	Pneumatic toys	Castles	Cushions	Static electricity					
4	Adapting a recipe	Slingshot cars	Pavilions	Fastenings	Torches					
	What could be healthier?	Pop-up books	Bridges	Stuffed toys	Electric greetings cards					
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	Come dine with me	Automata toys	Playgrounds	Waistcoats	Steady hand games					
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The	first four strands of the Desig	n and technology curriculum	run through each unit; with Co	ooking and nutrition as the focu	us of one unit per year					

Make

Design

Evaluate

Technical knowledge

Cooking and nutrition



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Key stage 1 - National Curriculum Design and technology subject content	Kapow Primary's Design and technology	Kapow Primary's topics Key stage 1	
Pupils should be taught to:	strands	Year 1	Year 2
Design purposeful, functional, appealing products for themsother users based on design criteria	elves and Design	Moving story books Windmills Puppets Wheels and axles	Moving monsters Baby bear's chair Pouches Ferris wheels
Generate, develop, model and communicate their ideas through drawing, templates, mock-ups and, where appropriate, inforcommunication technology		Moving story books Windmills Puppets Wheels and axles	Moving monsters Baby bear's chair Pouches Ferris wheels
Select from and use a range of tools and equipment to perfor tasks [for example, cutting, shaping, joining and finishing]	rm practical Make	Fruit and vegetable smoothies Moving story books Windmills Puppets Wheels and axles	Moving monsters Baby bear's chair Pouches Ferris wheels
Select from and use a wide range of materials and component construction materials, textiles and ingredients, according to characteristics		Fruit and vegetable smoothies Moving story books Windmills Puppets Wheels and axles	A balanced diet Moving monsters Baby bear's chair Pouches Ferris wheels
Explore and evaluate a range of existing products	Evaluate	Fruit and vegetable smoothies Moving story books Windmills Wheels and axles	A balanced diet Moving monsters Pouches Ferris wheels
Evaluate their ideas and products against design criteria	Evaluate	Moving story books Windmills Puppets Wheels and axles	Moving monsters Baby bear's chair Pouches Ferris wheels



Key stage 1 - National Curriculum Design and technology subject content Pupils should be taught to:	Kapow Primary's Design and technology strands	Kapow Primary's topics Key stage 1 Year 1	Year 2
Build structures, exploring how they can be made stronger, stiffer and more stable	Technical knowledge	Windmills	Baby bear's chair Ferris wheels
Explore and use mechanisms [for example, levers, sliders, wheels and axles], in their products.	Technical knowledge	Moving story books Wheels and axles	Moving monsters Ferris wheels
Use basic principles of a healthy and varied diet to prepare dishes	Cooking and nutrition	Fruit and vegetable smoothies	<u>A balanced diet</u>
Understand where food comes from	Cooking and nutrition	Fruit and vegetable smoothies	A balanced diet



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Key stage 2 - National Curriculum Design and technology subject content Pupils should be taught to:	Kapow Primary's Design and technology strands	Kapow Primary's topics Lower Key stage 2 Year 3	Year 4
Use research and develop design criteria to inform the design of innovative, functional, appealing products that are fit for purpose, aimed at particular individuals or groups	Design	Eating seasonally Castles Cushions Static electricity Pneumatic toys	Pavilions Adapting a recipe Fastenings Torches Slingshot cars
Generate, develop, model and communicate their ideas through discussion, annotated sketches, cross-sectional and exploded diagrams, prototypes, pattern pieces and computer- aided design	Design	Castles Cushions Static electricity Pneumatic toys	Pavilions Fastenings Torches Slingshot cars
Select from and use a wider range of tools and equipment to perform practical tasks [for example, cutting, shaping, joining and finishing], accurately	Make	Castles Cushions Static electricity Pneumatic toys	Pavilions Fastenings Torches Slingshot cars
Select from and use a wider range of materials and components, including construction materials, textiles and ingredients, according to their functional properties and aesthetic qualities	Make	Eating seasonally Castles Cushions Static electricity Pneumatic toys	Pavilions Adapting a recipe Fastenings Torches Slingshot cars
Investigate and analyse a range of existing products	Evaluate	Castles Cushions Static electricity Pneumatic toys	Pavilions Adapting a recipe Fastenings Torches Slingshot cars
Evaluate their ideas and products against their own design criteria and consider the views of others to improve their work	Evaluate	Castles Cushions Static electricity Pneumatic toys	Pavilions Adapting a recipe Fastenings Torches Slippshot cars

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National Curriculum by Kapow Primary's themes and topics

Key stage 2	? - National Curriculum
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Pupils should be taught to:

gears, pulleys, cams, levers and linkages]

Kapow Primary's Design and technology strands

Kapow Primary's topics Lower Key stage 2

Year 3

Year 4

Understand how key events and individuals in design and technology have helped shape the world

Evaluate

Pneumatic toys

Torches Slingshot cars

Apply their understanding of how to strengthen, stiffen and reinforce

Technical knowledge

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Castles

Pavilions

more complex structures

Understand and use mechanical systems in their products [for example,

Technical knowledge

Pneumatic toys

Static electricity

Slingshot cars

Understand and use electrical systems in their products [for example, series circuits incorporating switches, bulbs, buzzers and

Apply their understanding of computing to program, monitor and control

Pneumatic toys

Torches

Torches

Technical knowledge

Eating seasonally

Understand and apply principles of a healthy and varied diet

Understand seasonality, and know where and how a variety of

ingredients are grown, reared, caught and processed

Adapting a recipe

Prepare and cook variety of predominantly savoury dishes using a range

Cooking and nutrition

Eating seasonally

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Adapting a recipe

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Cooking and nutrition



Key stage 2 - National Curriculum Design and technology subject content	Kapow Primary's Design and technology	Kapow Primary's topics Upper Key stage 2	
Pupils should be taught to:	strands	Year 5	Year 6
Use research and develop design criteria to inform the design of innovative, functional, appealing products that are fit for purpose, aimed at particular individuals or groups	Design	What could be healthier? Pop-up books Stuffed toys Electronic greetings cards Bridges	Come dine with me Automata toys Waistcoats Steady hand game Playgrounds
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Year 5

Year 6

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Come dine with me

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Apply their understanding of computing to program, monitor and control

Technical knowledge

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Computing > Mars Rover 2*, Computing > Micro:bit*

What could be healthier?

What could be healthier?

Electronic greetings cards

Computing > Bletchley Park 2*

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*Nb. Can currently be addressed through the Computing curriculum or as outlined above within our Kapow Primary Computing subject.

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Cooking and nutrition

Year 1	Unit description Pupils will	Curriculum covera The key strands are:	ge In this unit, the pupils will be	Cross-curricular links
Food: Fruit and vegetables		Design	Designing a smoothie carton, using traditional or digital (ICT) methods based on a chosen ingredient combination; selecting fruits and vegetables for a smoothie recipe	Science
smoothie	Learn how to identify fruits and vegetables. Then apply	Make	Preparing, chopping and blending fruit and vegetables	
(4 lessons)	this knowledge to design and make a smoothie.	Evaluate	Trialling and exploring combinations of ingredients, specifying favourite combinations	
Go to unit		Cooking and nutrition	Recognising the difference between fruit and vegetables, describing texture and taste, developing knowledge about where fruit and vegetables grow, identifying parts of a plant	
Mechanisms:		Design	Planning and sketching the mechanical elements in the moving story book	English
Moving story books	Explore levers and sliders to	Make	Assembling mechanisms to create various movements (up, down, along, around)	
(4 lessons)	make a moving story book.	Evaluate	Reflecting on the finished moving story book, by expressing likes, dislikes and improvements	
Go to unit		Technical knowledge	Exploring how levers and sliders work in a paper-card format to create different movements	
Structures:		Design	Designing for a client and considering the client's preferences and requirements, following a basic list of criteria	Maths
Windmills	Design and create their own	Make	Using templates and nets, selecting from basic crafting tools and materials (paper, card, scissors and glue) to create a functional mechanical windmill	
(4 lessons)	structure and functioning windmill.	Evaluate	Exploring different forms of windmill structures, testing the finished windmill	
Go to unit		Technical knowledge	Developing awareness of different structure formats, forming an understanding of how to turn 2D nets into 3D shapes	
Textiles:		Design	Designing a puppet based on a character, using a template and considering which colours and features will be needed	English
Puppets	Learn the different ways they can join fabrics	Make	Cutting and joining fabric using glue, pins or staples, as well as attaching any additional features	Art and design
(4 lessons)	together through the creation of a puppet.	Evaluate	Testing and exploring different methods of joining fabrics, and determining which would be best for the puppet, reflecting on the finished product	
Go to unit		Technical knowledge	Understanding the various techniques used to join two fabrics together	
Mechanisms:		Design	Sketching, measuring and planning the chassis of the vehicle, including a computer-based digital racing flag design	Maths
Wheels and axles	Experiment with mechanisms and troubleshoot why some	Make	Adapting mechanisms, measuring and cutting accurately to a design brief, working to scale and identifying commonly used materials for wheels	
(4 lessons)	wheels don't rotate, before designing and building a	Evaluate	Researching and testing mechanisms	

moving vehicle.

Investigating how wheels work as part of a full mechanism including axles and axle holders

Technical knowledge

Year 2	Unit description Pupils will	Curriculum coverage The key strands are: In this unit, the pupils will be			
Food:		Design	Planning for a set brief, following simple criteria, designing a healthy wrap	Maths	
A balanced diet	Explore what makes a balanced diet and taste test	Make	Preparing food safely and hygienically, chopping and slicing safely using a bridge or claw grip	Science	
(4 lessons)	combinations of different food groups before designing	Evaluate	Conducting product research, trialling and feeding back on foods taste, texture and aroma		
Go to unit	and making a wrap.	Cooking and nutrition	Identifying each of the food groups, understanding what makes a balanced diet, developing an awareness of hidden sugars in everyday foods		
Mechanisms:	Analyse existing levers and	Design	Devising and using design criteria, planning for the design and creation of a mechanical toy, drawing simple diagrams to express ideas	Maths	
Moving monsters	linkage systems to identify components that they can use	Make	Cutting and assembling accurately, selecting appropriate crafting materials and tools such as card, paper, glue and paper fasteners		
(4 lessons)	to plan, design and develop a mechanical monster.	Evaluate	Carrying out primary research, exploring and discussing existing objects which have linkages, levers and pivots		
Go to unit		Technical knowledge	Identifying inputs and outputs as part of a mechanism, developing an understanding of how linkages, levers and pivots operate together		
Structures:	Experiment with different	Design	Designing for others, using criteria and applying knowledge of structures through planning	Maths	
Baby bear's chair	shapes and manipulate materials to explore and	Make	Identifying flaws in a pre-modelled design and thinking about ways to fix or strengthen them, cutting and assembling accurately, selecting from materials based on their characteristics		
(4 lessons)	evaluate a range of structural properties. They apply this knowledge to their own	Evaluate	Exploring natural and man-made structures, testing and evaluating, analysing existing chairs including those by established designers		
Go to unit	design, make and test task.	Technical knowledge	Understanding strength, stability and stiffness, knowing that different shapes can strengthen or weaken structures, know materials can be manipulated to improve strength and stiffness		
Textiles:		Design	Developing and sketching design ideas using a template	Art and design	
Pouches	Design and make their own wallet or purse, learning to	Make	Threading a needle, sewing a running stitch, preparing fabrics for sewing, tying a secure knot		
(4 lessons)	use running stitch to join two pieces of fabric together.	Evaluate	Discussing the making process and finished product, reviewing other's final outcome		
Go to unit		Technical knowledge	Identifying parts of a needle (point and eye), understanding the alternative ways of joining fabrics and embellishments		
Mechanisms:		Design	Using ICT to produce an inspiration board to review and annotate, designing mechanisms informed by research	Maths	
Ferris wheel	Explore existing mechanisms in order to design, test and	Make	Measuring and cutting accurately, working to scale and following a design brief, selecting materials based on their characteristics	Science	
(4 lessons)	make their own big wheel style ride.	Evaluate	Testing and adapting mechanisms, researching mechanisms and existing products		
Go to unit		Technical knowledge	Understanding and consolidating how an axle, axle holder and wheel work in harmony, understanding various properties of basic materials such as plastic, wood and metal		

Year 3	Unit description Pupils will	Curricul The key st	Cross-curricular links		
Food:	Learn about seasonality and	Design		Generating and adapting a seasonal recipe idea based on research, designing to simple criteria	Geography
Eating seasonally	how the climate a food is grown in can alter the way it tastes and make a crumble and tart using seasonal	Make		Safely preparing fruit and vegetables, following a recipe, adapting a recipe	Science
(4 lessons)		Evaluate		Tasting and evaluating their dessert against criteria	
Go to unit	ingredients.	Cooking an	d nutrition	Knowing what foods are in season and when, understanding the benefits of various foods, knowing how climate affects which foods can grow naturally in different environments	
Mechanisms:	Examine pneumatic systems	Design		Generating and communicating ideas using thumbnail sketches, exploded-diagrams and modelling, drawing plans to house the mechanism	Science
Pneumatic systems	using syringes and balloons then apply their	Make		Selecting appropriate materials and equipment for functional and aesthetic purposes	
(4 lessons)	understanding of mechanical systems to create their own pneumatic toys.	Evaluate		Assessing how well their product works and if it matches their original design ideas and criteria	
Go to unit		Technical k	knowledge	Understanding how pneumatic systems work, identifying the key inputs and outputs of the mechanism, expressing the need for visual communication in the design process	
Structures:	Learn more advanced construction techniques and plan for complex	Design		Planning for manufacture, establishing and using a design criteria to help focus and evaluate their work, utilising research to inform idea generation	Maths
Castles		Make		Using more demanding practical skills (paper engineering/paper folding techniques); including traditional and digital net creation using computer-aided-design (CAD)	
(4 lessons)	arrangements of structures with continual emphasis on	Evaluate		Reflecting on their project as it progresses, evaluating their own and other's final product	
Go to unit	evaluating throughout.	Technical k	knowledge	Applying prior understanding and increasing knowledge of paper or card nets and structures; consolidating methods and techniques to improve stability and strength	
Textiles:		Design		Designing and planning the style, shape and seams of a cushion, using pattern piece paper templates and models	Art and design
Cushions	Learn to sew cross stitch and appliqué and then apply this	Make		Sewing cross stitch and running stitch to join, complete seams, seal stuffing and add appliqué decorative elements, following specified design criteria	
(4 lessons)	to the design and creation of a cushion.	Evaluate		Reviewing existing products, expressing constructive feedback on other's work	
Go to unit		Technical k	knowledge	Understanding that fabrics can be layered for effect, recognising the appearance and technique for different stitch types, including strength to reinforce joins	
Electrical systems:	Explore static	Design		Using research and design criteria to develop ideas, determining the target audience, utilising computer-aided-design (CAD) to draw a box panel for the game	Science
Static electricity	electricity and observe the effects of it on different	Make		Using electrostatic energy to move objects in isolation as well as part of a system, cutting, measuring and joining various crafting materials	
(4 lessons)	objects before designing and making a simple game which	Evaluate		Evaluating and adapting designs, experimenting with scientific theories to inform a design, listening and acting on constructive feedback gathered from others	
Go to unit	uses static electricity.	Technical k	knowledge	Understanding what static electricity is and how to generate it, knowing what a target audience is, constructing nets as part of a product to house a game	
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Year 4	Unit description Pupils will	Curriculu The key stra		ge In this unit, the pupils will be	Cross-curricular links
Food:		Design		Reviewing existing products to inform design ideas, working within a set design brief	Science
Adapting a recipe	Adapt a recipe by adding or altering the ingredients and	Make		Following but adapting an existing recipe, preparing food hygienically, creaming and combining ingredients to form a basic dough	
(4 lessons)	then work in groups to create a final design that falls within a set budget and design brief.	Evaluate		Reflecting on and identifying flavours from a prototype, reviewing what aspects to change to improve the current recipe	
Go to unit	a set budget and design brief.	Cooking and	Inutrition	Understanding the cost implications behind professional food preparation, altering a dough to be savoury or sweet, knowing to mix dry ingredients before combining with wet	
Structures:	Be introduced to pavilion architecture, pupils	Design		Exploring and designing within a given context or theme, aimed at a chosen target audience	Maths
Pavilions	experiment with frame structures before designing	Make		Selecting from a range of materials and equipment to create frame structures, and to add aesthetic value	
(4 lessons)	their own landscape and pavilion, using a wider range	Evaluate		Discussing and reviewing existing pavilions and expo centres	
Go to unit	of materials and construction techniques.	Technical kr	nowledge	Knowing what a pavilion is, building on prior knowledge of net structures and broadening knowledge of frames, know architects consider light, shadow and patterns when designing	
Textiles:		Design		Devising a list of design criteria, planning production, annotating isometric diagrams and sketches to further develop initial design ideas	Art and design
Fastenings	Research different types of fabric fastenings before	Make		Selecting appropriate fastening types and equipment to sew, measuring and cutting fabric materials accurately	
(4 lessons)	deciding which they want to use in their design for a book sleeve.	Evaluate		Researching and analysing methods of fastening fabric, determining the strength and use of each	
Go to unit	sieeve.	Technical kr	nowledge	Understanding stitches and fastenings and their pros and cons, knowing how to use pattern pieces to tessellate and save fabric as well as produce more accurate results	
Electrical systems:		Design		Designing for a chosen user-profile, identifying key properties (e.g. reflective, water resistant) of a material and utilising this knowledge to inform design ideas	Science
Torches	Be introduced to electricity and electrical safety before	Make		Making a functional, operational electrical series-circuit and housing this appropriately, selecting materials based on their characteristics	
(4 lessons)	making a simple electric circuit to create a functioning torch.	Evaluate		Reviewing and discussing existing torches, including use and the reasons behind the materials in their build	
Go to unit	toren.	Technical kr	nowledge	Identifying electrical components by name (e.g. bulb, cell), able to build a working electrical series-circuit and correct errors	
Mechanisms:		Design		Developing designs following a list of design criteria, modelling and testing the launch chassis	Science
Slingshot cars	Use kinetic energy to power slingshot cars, designing and	Make		Selecting the materials and tools to measure, mark, cut and assemble accurately, using nets and tabs to design and make the car chassis	
(4 lessons)	making their own and then testing their effectiveness in time trials	Evaluate		Testing products in time trials, comparing to other's designs, discussing and recording ways to improve the speed of the car, reviewing and learning about aerodynamic shapes in cars	
Go to unit	unic ulais	Technical kr	nowledge	Utilising car-part terminology (e.g. chassis), consolidating net and template creation, recognising key mechanisms as part of a product's key functionality	
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Year 5	Unit description Pupils will		lum covera trands are:	nge In this unit, the pupils will be	Cross-curricular links
Food:		Design		Adapting an existing recipe,	Maths
What could be healthier?	Adapt a bolognese recipe by adding or altering ingredients	Make		Cutting, preparing and cooking vegetables and meat hygienically, using kitchen equipment such as knives, hot pans and hobs in a safe manner, recognising when meat is cooked	Computing
(4 lessons)	and learn about the ethical and hygienic issues of food.	Evaluate		Tasting and feeding back on existing pre-made bolognese sauces, suggesting substitute ingredients	
Go to unit		Cooking a	nd nutrition	Knowing where meat comes from and understand ethical issues around beef, identifying the nutritional values and contents on packaged food, making healthier ingredient swaps	
Mechanisms:		Design		Planning using storyboards and designs, communicating through annotated illustrations, identifying where and how the mechanisms will operate as part of the design	English
Pop-up books	Utilise a range of mechanisms and construction techniques	Make		Making functional components, using layers and spacers to construct pages, cutting and assembling with accuracy	
(4 lessons)	to create a pop up story book for younger children.	Evaluate		Revisiting and reflecting on progress at numerous points throughout the project	
Go to unit		Technical	knowledge	Consolidating knowledge on sliders, levers and linkages, identifying inputs and outputs, utilising methods of paper modelling and folding to improve resilience during use	
Textiles:	Learn blanket stitch and then	Design		Designing for a purpose, considering which techniques and materials to use, creating a paper pattern piece for the main body and individually for any additional components	Art and design
Stuffed toys		Make		Selecting and using appropriate stitch types to join and attach materials depending on their properties	
(4 lessons)	design and make 3D stuffed toys.	Evaluate		Comparing 3D object to 2D design, evaluating existing stuffed toys, identifying poor sewing technique and where possible rectifying it (e.g. to pull tighter, sew closer stitches)	
Go to unit		Technical	knowledge	Identifying methods of joining fabric effectively, running stitch, cross stitch and blanket stitch, knowing how to create a hidden seam and seal stuffing	
Electrical systems:		Design		Applying scientific knowledge to generate design ideas, identifying the target audience, considering methods of incorporating the circuitry	Science
Electric greetings cards	Explore electric circuits and apply this knowledge to	Make		Selecting materials based on their properties (e.g. conductive, insulating), creating and incorporating a functional series-circuit concealing it inside the card	
(4 lessons)	design and make their own electric greetings cards.	Evaluate		Experimenting with, and testing, series and parallel circuits to determine which would be fit for purpose as part of their design ideas	
Go to unit		Technical	knowledge	Drawing circuit diagrams and symbols, knowing the function of different circuit components, understanding the terminology: insulator, conductor, LED, battery	
Structures:	Explore and experiment with	Design		Designing arch and truss bridges, modelling various methods of bridge-making	Science
Bridges	a range of different bridge structures, forces and	Make		Using triangulation for bracing, selecting appropriate tools and equipment such as saws and bench hooks to cut wood down to size and sandpaper to achieve a high quality finish	
(4 lessons)	components involved in bridge building, before designing and making their	Evaluate		Testing through trial and error to evaluate the successful and unsuccessful functional properties of a design and its materials	
Go to unit	own to test to destruction.	Technical	knowledge	Understanding the importance of compression and tension in bridge structures, establishing methods of reinforcing more complex structures to improve strength, stability and stiffness	
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Year 6	Unit description Pupils will	Curriculum coverage The key strands are:		nge In this unit, the pupils will be	Cross-curricular links
Food:	Work in groups, they will research and prepare a three course meal that will be taste tested and scored as well as researching the journey of their main ingredient, from	Design		Researching and reading recipe books to inspire and develop innovative recipes as part of a three-course meal, planning the methods and determining equipment required	PSHE
Come dine with me		Make		Working with food hygienically and safely, working to a time-scale, using a variety of cooking methods such as steaming, boiling and baking	Science
(4 lessons)		Evaluate		Tasting, scoring and evaluating other's three-course meals	
Go to unit	'farm to fork'.	Cooking an	d nutrition	Understanding the risks of meat and fish when not cooked or stored properly, understanding the safe storage of meat and fish, designing a balanced three-course meal	
Mechanisms:		Design		Drawing and annotating exploded and cross-sectional diagrams to illustrate ideas, modelling various cam shapes, generating design ideas based on a design brief	Maths
Automata toys	Develop their woodworking skills and explore cams to design and make mechanical window displays.	Make		Measuring, marking and cutting woodwork accurately, selecting appropriate equipment, assembling components accurately to create a fully functional mechanical toy	
(4 lessons)		Evaluate		Experimenting with cams to establish which movement is fit for purpose against their design ideas, investigating and discussing existing automata toys, checking accuracy of joints	
Go to unit		Technical l	knowledge	Understanding the relationship between the cam, follower, axle, handle and topper, as part of a complete mechanism, creating a stable frame structure to support the mechanism	
Textiles:	Learn how to measure, cut and assemble fabric to create a waistcoat. They will draw a design in accordance with their own design criteria.	Design		Devising a list of design criteria, sketching and annotating design ideas on to a pattern piece and amending the measurements to suit their desired client	Art and design
Waistcoats		Make		Marking out, cutting and joining fabrics accurately, creating a consistent seam and attaching fastenings appropriately, applying decorative features such as appliqué	Maths
(4 lessons)		Evaluate		Exploring existing products and considering the user, materials and shape, evaluating the final outcome against the design criteria and client's requirements and preferences	
Go to unit	their own design criteria.	Technical k	knowledge	Knowing how to create hidden seams, accurate and consistent stitches, and secure fastenings	
Electrical systems:	Create electromagnetic toys and more complex electronic circuits to create a steady hand game.	Design		Generating ideas through sketching and discussion, modelling ideas through prototypes, establishing a list of design criteria	Science
Steady hand games		Make		Selecting and using appropriate materials and equipment, to cut, measure and mark accurately including the use of set-squares and rulers	
(4 lessons)		Evaluate		Adapting products to improve functionality, testing that the product is fit for purpose and operates as planned against the design criteria	
Go to unit		Technical k	knowledge	Creating and using electric series-circuits effectively, knowing how to make electromagnetic motors, creating nets for 3D shapes to house the circuitry and act as a stable base	
Structures:	Have the opportunity to be creative and experiment with a wide range of materials and equipment, applying prior knowledge of net and frame structures as well as bracing	Design		Establishing and using list of design criteria, drawing a floor-plan diagram to demonstrate what apparatus they plan to create and where it will be positioned	Maths
Playgrounds				Increasingly more demanding practical skills, selecting materials for their aesthetic and functional properties, make, strengthen and stiffen a range of structures	
(4 lessons)		Evaluate		Evaluating and analysing existing and modelled playground structures, exploring different materials to achieve various textures, patterns and structures, reviewing other's work	
Go to unit	and cladding to design and make a playground.	Technical k	knowledge	Applying knowledge of construction techniques to realise design ideas, stabilising more complex structures using bracing, creating 3D shapes using custom nets	
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