

Cledford Primary School – DT Curriculum Yearly Overview

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2			
EYFS	Physical development Develop their small motor skills so that they can use a range of tools competently, safely and confidently. Expressive Arts and Design Explore, use and refine a variety of artistic effects to express their ideas and feelings. Return to and build upon their previous learning, refining ideas and developing their ability to represent them. Create collaboratively, sharing ideas, resources and skills. Expressive Arts and Design Safely use and explore a variety of materials, tools and techniques, experimenting with colour, design, texture, form and function. Share their creations, explaining the process they have used.								
	Cooking and nutrition		Mechanisms	Structures	Textiles	Mechanisms			
Year 1	Fruit and vegetables		Wheels and axles	Constructing a windmill	Puppets	Moving storybook			
	Learn to distinguish between fruit and vegetables and where they grow. Design a fruit and vegetable smoothie and accompanying packaging.		Learn about the key parts of a wheeled vehicle, to develop an understanding of how wheels, axles and axle holders work. Design and make a moving vehicle.	Inspired by the song, 'Mouse in a windmill', design and construct a windmill for a client (mouse) to live in. Explore various types of windmill, how they work and their key features.	Explore methods of joining fabric. Design and make a character-based hand puppet using a preferred joining technique, before decorating.	Explore slider mechanisms and the movement they output, to design, make and evaluate a moving storybook from a range of templates.			
	Cooking and nutrition		Textiles	Mechanisms	Structures	Mechanisms			
Year 2	Balanced diet		Pouches	Fairground wheel	Baby Bear's Chair	Moving monsters			
	Learn about the food groups (carbohydrates, proteins, fruits and vegetables, dairy, oils and spreads) to understand a balanced diet to develop a healthy wrap.		Learn how to sew a running stitch ready to design, make and decorate a pouch using a template.	Design and create a functional Ferris wheel, learn how different components fit together so that the wheel rotates and the structure stands freely.	Explore stability and methods to strengthen structures, to understand Baby Bear's chair weaknesses and develop an improved solution for him to use.	Explore levers, linkages and pivots through existing products and experimentation, use this research to construct and assemble a moving monster.			
		Textiles	Mechanisms	Electrical systems	Structures	Cooking and nutrition			
Year 3		Cushions	Pneumatic toys	Electrical poster	Constructing a castle	Eating seasonally			
		Learn and apply two new sewing techniques – cross-stitch and appliqué. Utilise these new skills to design and make a cushion.	Explore pneumatic systems, then apply this understanding to design and make a pneumatic toy including thumbnail sketches and exploded diagrams.	Our new electric poster unit introduces children to various forms of 'Information design' before they are briefed to develop an electric museum display based on the Romans.	Identify and learn about the key features of a castle, before designing and making a recycled-material castle (structure).	Learn about various fruits and vegetables, and when, where and why they are grown in different seasons. Discover the relationship between colour and health benefits.			
	Textiles	Electrical systems	Mechanisms	Cooking and nutrition		Structures			
Year 4	Cross stitch and applique	Torches	Making a slingshot car	Adapting a recipe		Pavillions			
	To design and make an Egyptian collar	Identify the difference between electrical and electronic products. Evaluate a range of existing torches and their features, then develop a new functional torch design.	Using a range of materials, design and make a car with a working slingshot mechanism and house the mechanism using a range of nets.	Work in groups to adapt an existing biscuit recipe, whilst taking into account the cost of the ingredients and other expenses against a set budget.		Investigate and model frame structures to improve their stability, then apply this research to design and create a stable, decorated pavilion.			



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	Structures		Electrical systems	Mechanisms	Cooking and nutrition
	Bridges		Doodlers	Making a pop-up book	What could be healthier?
Year 5	Test and analyse various types of bridge to determine their strength and stability. Explore material properties and sources, before marking, sawing and assembling a wooden truss bridge.		Explore series circuits further and introduces motors. Explore how the design cycle can be approached at a different starting point, by investigating an existing product, which uses a motor, to encourage pupils to problem-solve and work out how the product has been constructed, ready to develop their own.	Create a functional four-page pop-up storybook design, using lever, sliders, layers and spacers to create paper- based mechanisms.	Discover the farm to fork process, understand the key welfare issues for rearing cattle. Compare the nutritional value of existing sauces and develop a healthier recipe.
	Electrical systems	Mechanisms		Cooking and nutrition	Structures
	Steady hand games	Automata toys		Come dine with me	Playgrounds
Year 6	Understand what is meant by fit for purpose design and form follows function. Design and develop a steady hand game using a series circuit, including housing and backboard.	Develop a functional automata window display, to meet the requirements in a design brief. Explore and create cam, follower and axle mechanisms to mimic different movements.		Develop a three-course menu focused on three key ingredients, as part of a paired challenge to develop the best class recipes. Explore each key ingredient's farm to fork process.	Research existing playground equipment and their different forms, before designing and developing a range of apparatus to meet a list of specified design criteria.

