Progression of Strands across Year Groups 2022-2023



	Food	Mechanisms	Structures	Textiles	Electrical Systems	Digital World
FS2	Handle and use tools with independence, care and increasing control.	To use a range of tools safety, competently and confidently. To plan techniques for joining materials. Handle and use tools with independence, care and increasing control. Show greater control and proficiency in using tools such as scissors, paint brushes, pens and pencils.	To use a range of tools safety, competently and confidently. To use a range of materials to construct with. Handle and use tools with independence, care and increasing control. Show greater control and proficiency in using tools such as scissors, paint brushes, pens and pencils.	To plan techniques for joining materials. Safely use and explore a variety of materials, tools and techniques, experimenting with colour, design, texture, form and function;		
Year 1	Food: Fruit and Vegetable Smoothie Children learn how to identify fruits and vegetables and then design and make a smoothie Designing for others Chopping fruit and vegetables Making a smoothie Evaluating and adapting designs Describing and grouping fruits by texture and taste	Mechanisms: Wheels and Axles Pupils experiment with mechanisms and troubleshoot why some wheels don't rotate, before designing and building a moving vehicle Designing mechanisms Adapting Mechanisms Measuring and cutting accurately Following a design brief Working to scale	Structures: Windmills Through the theme of windmills, pupils design and create their own structure and functioning windmill Designing for others Assembling different components to work together to create motion Assembling accurately Cutting neatly Testing a finished product		NA	NA

	Understanding the difference between fruit and vegetables	Identifying materials commonly used for wheels Researching and testing mechanisms Understanding how an axle works	Developing awareness of different structures for different purposes Understanding how to turn 2D nets into 3D structures Understanding what mechanisms are			
Year 2	Food: A Balanced Diet Pupils explore what makes a balanced diet and taste test combinations of different food groups before designing and making a wrap Designing packaging for their smoothie Preparing food safely and hygienically Chopping safely using the bridge grip Conducting product research Evaluating a design Understanding how fruit and vegetables grow Knowing the food groups Understanding what makes a balanced diet	Mechanisms: Ferris Wheel Pupils explore existing mechanisms in order to design, test and make their own big wheel style ride Designing mechanisms Measuring and cutting accurately, working to scale and following a design brief Testing and adapting mechanisms Researching mechanisms Understanding how an axle works Know materials commonly used for wheels		Textiles: Pouches Children design and make their own wallet or purse, learning to use running stitch to join two pieces of fabric together Considering purpose in the design process Threading a needle Sewing a running stitch Preparing fabrics for sewing Discuss the making process and the finished product Identifying parts of a needle (point and eye) Understand the alternative ways of joining fabrics and embellishments	NA	NA
Year 3	Food: Eating Seasonally Pupils learn about seasonality and how the climate a food is grown in can alter the way it tastes and make a crumble and tart using seasonal ingredients Designing to criteria		Structures: Castles Pupils learn more advanced construction techniques and plan for complex arrangements of structures with continual emphasis on evaluating throughout	Textiles: Cushions Pupils learn to sew cross stitch and appliqué and then apply this to the design and creation of a cushion Designing for a purpose Sewing cross stitch and using applique		

	Safely preparing fruit and vegetables Following a recipe Tasting and evaluating their dessert Knowing what foods are in season and when Understanding the benefits of foods by their colour Knowing how climate alters the sweetness of food		Planning for manufacture Establishing and using a design criteria to help focus and evaluate their work Using more demanding practical skills (paper engineering/paper folding techniques) Evaluating as they work Evaluating their own and other's final product Application of prior knowledge and increasing knowledge of nets	Compare to designs Construction of cushions Understanding that fabrics can be layered for effect Knowing different stitch types		
Year 4	Food: Adapting a Recipe Pupils adapt a recipe by adding or altering the ingredients and then work in groups to create a final design that falls within a set budget and design brief Working within a design brief Following but adapting a recipe Preparing food hygienically Discuss flavours identified Understanding the costs behind professional food preparation Understanding the factors that contribute to product design	Mechanisms: Slingshot Cars Pupils use kinetic energy to power slingshot cars, designing and making their own and then testing their effectiveness in time trials Developing designs using the views of others to improve them Using nets and tabs to design and make the car body Measuring, marking,cutting and assembling accurately Testing products in time trials Component names (chassis, axle etc.)			Electrical Systems: Torches Pupils are introduced to electricity and electrical safety before making a simple electric circuit to create a functioning torch Designing for others Creating neatly presented work Making an electrical circuit Evaluating to improve their work Testing their final products Electricity is energy Batteries are used to store electricity Know terminology of: insulator, conductor,	

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		Car body shape can			L.E.D., battery, coin	
		impact speed (air			cell batteries	
		resistance)				
Year 5	Food: What Could Be	Mechanisms: Pop-Up			Electrical Systems:	
10410	Healthier?	Books			Electric Greetings	
	Pupils adapt a	Pupils use a range of			Cards	
	bolognese recipe by	mechanisms and			Pupils explore electric	
	adding or altering	construction techniques			circuits and apply this	
	ingredients and learn	to create a pop up story			knowledge to design	
	about the ethical and	book for younger			and make their own	
	hygienic issues of food	children			electric greetings	
	Adapting a recipe	Planning using			cards	
	Cutting and preparing	storyboards and			Applying knowledge	
	vegetables hygienically	designs,			to generate design	
	Cooking meat safely	communicating through			ideas	
	Tasting and adapting	words and illustrations			Identifying target	
	the dish during cooking	Making functional			audiences	
	process	components			Making circuits	
	Know where meat	Using layers and			Experimenting with	
	comes from and	spacers to construct			circuits to consolidate	
	understand ethical	pages			knowledge of function	
	issues around beef	Cutting and assembling			Testing function of	
	Know nutritional values	with accuracy			product	
	of packaged food				Drawing circuit	
	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Constantly evaluating			diagrams	
		progress against design			Knowing the function	
		Understand sliders,			of different	
		levers and linkages			components	
		Understand structures			Understanding the	
		and mechanisms			terminology:	
					insulator, conductor,	
					LED, battery	
Year 6			Structures:	Textiles: Waistcoats		Digital World
			Playgrounds	After drawing a		Navigating the world
			Pupils have the	design in accordance		Pupils can write a
			opportunity to be	with their own		design brief from
			creative and	criteria, pupils learn		information submitted
			experiment with a	how to measure, cut		by a client
			wide range of	and assemble fabric		Pupils can develop
			materials and	to create a waistcoat		design criteria to fulfil
			equipment, applying	Designing for a		the client's request
			prior knowledge of net	process		Pupils can consider
			and frame structures	Accurate cutting and		and suggest
			as well as bracing	joining, using running		additional functions
			and cladding to	stitch		
				Suurt		for my navigation
						tool.

design and make a	Creating something in	Pupils can program
playground	a given style	an N,E, S,W cardinal
Establishing and	Evaluating work	compass
using a design criteria		Pupils can explain the
to help focus and	Knowing how to	key functions in my
evaluate their work	create hidden seams	program, including
Increasingly more		any additions
demanding practical		Pupils can explain
skills		how my program fits
Selecting materials for		the design criteria and
their aesthetic and		how it would be
functional properties		useful as part of a
Make, strengthen and		navigation tool
stiffen a range of		
structures		
Exploring existing		
playground structures		
Applying knowledge		
of construction		
techniques to realise		
design ideas		
Stabilising more		
complex structures		
using bracing		