In EYFS, Design and Technology is taught through the strand Expressive Arts and Design but complements all of the other six area od learning. In Nursery, through our continuous provision, children use various construction materials in order to build, construct and stack. They make enclosures and create spaces. Tools are introduced as part of child-initiated play to begin to create with a purpose. In Reception these skills are further developed. During child-initiated play, children are guided through careful questioning and modelling to create a purpose in mind. They are taught to handle tools carefully, with increasing control and to create specific effects. With support, children select tools and techniques needed and they learn to adapt their work where necessary. Our enhanced provision, provides additional opportunities to look at new tools, materials and skills.

EYFS

Year one of the rolling programme for Design and Technology in EYFS		
Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Structures – Journeys	Structures - Traditional Tales and	Mechanisms – Toys
The children will make imaginative and	People who help us	The children will deconstruct toys to explore
complex 'small worlds' with blocks and	The children will design and construct a	their structure and materials used. This is
construction kits to show where we live and	home for the 3 little pigs and a stable	related to our work in Science. We will
journeys that we make.	beanstalk for a plant to grow. The children	explore how things work and talk about the
They will create small worlds to recreate	will replicate structures with materials and	forces that we feel when for example we
maps of real and imaginative journeys.	components, build and construct with a wide	make a toy car move or a puppet go up and
Through adult modelling children will learn	range of objects and sizes, learn how	down. During playdough and clay play
different ways to join different materials	everyday objects work, start to build	children will see how malleable materials can
together to create models of vehicles,	structures, joining components together and	be used to design and make. During our
bridges and structures relating to our	to learn how to use a range of tools, e.g.	small parts play children will be joining and
journeys. They will be encouraged to use	scissors, hole punch, stapler etc. They will be	linking using nuts and bolts, axels and elastic
demanding materials, including fabric, card,	encouraged to create collaboratively and	bands. During outdoor learning children will
foil, plastic, wood to make boats and other	return and build upon previous learning.	explore the use of natural phenomena such
vehicles and will relate to science work to	To explore our topic on traditional tales and	as wind and shadows in toys.
test materials. Children will be exploring	people who help us children will create	Food – Growing
structures on different scales.	structures and puppets. They will develop	Through our topic on growing children will
	skills of fold, cut and join card and paper.	taste different foods that have been grown
		and learn about safe use of tools and
		equipment to prepare them for cooking and
		eating.

Year two of the rolling programme for Design and Technology in EYFS		
Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Textiles - Homes and Family	Food - Our Planet and Plants	Mechanisms and Structures – Water
Children will explore and name materials	Through an exploration of different countries,	Children will explore ways to make water
found in our home and explore why we use	habitats and climates, children will prepare	move through pulleys, pipes and guttering.
them for certain functions in our homes.	and taste different foods. In relation to	They will explore structures that can float on
They will explore early needle skills through	Geography LTP children will try new foods	water or can carry water. They will look at
fine motor skills development – threading	from around the world. Through this	key materials and how they are used in
beads, weaving paper and fabric.	preparation, children will develop safe use of	structures – related to science vocabulary of
During child-initiated play children will	tools, including knives for cutting and peeling	waterproof. Challenge will increase to
explore textiles and their properties for den	and develop vocabulary to describe tastes.	provide opportunities to work with different
making and structures and explore ways to	Children will develop skills to mould and	thickness of card, plastic and fabric.
join and construct using fabrics and clothes	shape malleable materials such as bread	
pegs.	dough.	

Key Stage 1

Year one of the rolling programme for Design and Technology in Key Stage 1		
Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
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Textiles – Fabulous Fabrics	Mechanisms – Grand Designs	Food – A Honey Treat!
The children will focus on fascinating	The children will recognise how multiple	The children will understand that all food
designs, patterns and weaving. They will	shapes (2D and 3D) are combined to form a	comes from plants or animals. They will
create their own unique patchwork square	strong and stable structure. They will use this	name and sort foods into the five groups in
which we will join together to create a Kente	knowledge to design a castle with key	the Eatwell Guide. They will use what they
cloth. This will involve looking at the	features which satisfy a given purpose. They	know about the Eatwell Guide to design and
different ways of fabric weaving. The	will construct 3D nets using glue and tape to	prepare a dessert featuring honey linked to
children will then decorate with a range of	securely assemble geometric shapes.	their learning about bees.
items (buttons, sequins, bead etc.) thinking		
about how to secure them effectively.		

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Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term

Mechanisms – Moving Vehicles
Linked to their study of transport, the
children will be creating their own vehicle
out of recycled items from home. They will
explore and use mechanisms, use a variety of
materials and tools safely and effectively to
create a vehicle using wheels and axles to
make it travel a distance. The children will
generate, develop, model and communicate
their ideas through talking and drawing.

Food – Bread for the King!
Inspired by their learning of The Great Fire of London, the children will bake bread. They will begin to select from a range of hand tools and equipment to peel, cut, grate, mix and mould foods. They will begin to understand that ingredients have to be grown. They will present their bread to King Charles II for tasting!

Structures – A Beacon for the Sea
The children will build structures exploring
how they can be made stronger, stiffer and
more stable. They will talk about and start to
understand the simple working
characteristics of materials and components.
With help, the children will measure, mark
out, cut, shape and score materials with
some accuracy. Finally, they will assemble,
join and combine materials or components.

Lower Key Stage 2

Year one of the rolling programme for Design and Technology in Lower Key Stage 2		
Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Food – A Gastronomic Delight The children will research Indian recipes and spices. They will begin to think about dietary requirements and factor in dishes for vegetarians and vegans. They will use a range of techniques such as mashing, whisking, crushing, grating, cutting, kneading and baking and use a heat source to cook a curry and a side dish.	Structures — Viking Vessels The children will apply their understanding of how to strengthen, stiffen and reinforce more complex structures in order to create more useful characteristics of products. They will assemble, join and combine material and components with some degree of accuracy to create a Viking Longboat.	Electrical Systems — Volcanic Eruption The children will be making a volcano using papier mâché and paints. They will apply their understanding of how to strengthen, stiffen and reinforce more complex structures. To add extra impact, the children will use electrical systems in their products [for example, series circuits incorporating switches, bulbs, buzzers and motors]. After constructing the volcano, the children will use a mechanical system to drop the baking
		soda inside the volcano.

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Mechanical Systems – A Moving Creation

The children will create a 'Stone Age' book or poster to showcase an aspect of their work in history. They will explain how mechanical systems such as levers and linkages create movement and use mechanical systems in their products. They will create their own prototypes of these different mechanisms using card, and split pins for the pivot.

Textiles – A Colourful Decade
The children will take inspiration from their research of 1960s fashion. They will design a make an item of clothing. They will join fabrics in different ways using running stitch, over stitch or back stitch and use appropriate decoration techniques including applique. The children will begin to understand that a simple fabric shape can be used to make a 3D textile project.

Food and Nutrition - Seasonal Tarts
The children will begin by looking at the seasonality of foods and where they are grown or caught. They will take their research of seasonal ingredients and plan a tart using pastry. They will prepare and cook a savoury dishes safely and hygienically using the Eatwell Guide and apply these principles when planning and cooking dishes.

Upper Key Stage 2

Year one of the rolling programme for Design and Technology in Upper Key Stage 2		
Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Pulleys – The Great Space Race! The children will explore what pulleys and gears are and how these can be used to help move or rotate mechanisms. They will explore how mechanisms in vehicles work and how different components of pulleys can help a vehicle move. They will evaluate the way in which 'drivers and followers' can be manipulated to change the movement or action of moving parts. The children will utilise their knowledge to design then create a 'moon vehicle' that could traverse the	Textiles (computer aided design) — Practical Footwear The children will appreciate the resources used by the Ancient Greek, research their sandal designs and make and evaluate an Ancient Greek-style sandal. They will use digital media to design their products using software. They will demonstrate how to measure, make a seam allowance, tape, pin, cut, shape and join fabric with precision to make a more complex product, adding	Food - A Seasonal Feast! After their research, the children will explain that foods contain different substances, such as protein, that are needed for health and be able to apply these principles when planning and preparing dishes. They will adapt and refine recipes by adding or substituting one or more seasonal ingredients to change the appearance, taste, texture and aroma. They will demonstrate how to prepare and cook a variety of predominantly savoury dishes safely and hygienically including, where
surface of the moon.	fastenings	appropriate, the use of a heat source to make a seasonal feast/ snack.

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Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term

Electrical switches and circuits – Test your knowledge!

Linked to our science unit on electrical systems, the children will explore a range of electrical board games and systems, comparing the ways in which switches, sounds and lighting are used and embedded. They will create and then design their own electrical game to test knowledge around a core area of the curriculum. Children will then evaluate their own games, and those of others, to state their effectiveness and usability.

Cams – Tell me a story

Following on from their science exploration of forces, and work in LKS2 on sliders and levers, the children will explore what cams are and how these can be used to create oscillating, rotating and reciprocating movements. They will design a cam mechanism that controls a character or scene linked to their study of Egyptian Mythology.

Structures – A Secret Hide Away
Taking inspiration from the topic, the
children will investigate and design a bird
hide. They will design and model their ideas
first and then make a detailed bird hide
thinking about purpose and user. The
children will independently measure, fasten,
secure and shape wooden parts using
different tools and devices.