EYFS

Autumn	Spring	Summer

Expressive Arts and Design (Creating with materials) ELG: 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; make use of props and materials when role playing characters in narratives and stories.

STRUCTURES

Junk Modelling

	DESIGN	Making verbal plans and material choices. Developing a junk model.
SKILLS	MAKE	Improving fine motor/scissor skills with a variety of materials. Joining different materials together. Joining materials in a variety of ways (temporary and permanent) Describing their junk model, and how they intend to put it together.
	EVALUATE	Giving a verbal evaluation of their own and others' junk models with adult support. Checking to see if their model matches their plan. Considering what they would do differently if they were to do it again Describing their favourite and least favourite part of their model.
KNOWLEDGE	TECHNICAL	To know there are a range of different materials that can be used to make a model and that they are all slightly different. Making simple suggestions to fix their junk model.

COOKING AND NUTRITION

Pizzas: Chopping toppings

- Fantastic fruits and vegetables
- Design pizzas
- Fine motor skills
- Make pizzas
- (Designing pizza packaging)

STRUCTURES

Boats

- Waterproof materials
- Floating and sinking
- Boats
- Investigating boats
- Designing boats
- Creating and testing boats

Cycle A (Year 1 and Year 2) 2024/2025

Autumn	Spring	Summer
COOKING AND NUTRITION	STRUCTURES	MECHANISMS
Smoothie (Fruit and Vegetables) Identifying fruits Where fruits and vegetables grow Cutting and juicing Selecting and testing ingredients Applying food preparation to a recipe Evaluating	A table for a monarch (Year 2 Baby Bear's Chair unit) *This can be adapted as long as it is along the same lines. Eg, a structure to support a rocket/ table Exploring stability Strengthening materials Making a structure according to the design Evaluate strength, stiffness and stability	Moving Monster (Pivots, levers and linkages) *Year 2 unit, but do sliders lesson 1/ Year 1 first Exploring pivots, levers and linkages Making linkages Designing a monster Making a moving monster

Cycle B (Year 1 and Year 2) 2023/2024

Autumn	Spring	Summer
TEXTILES	COOKING AND NUTRITION	MECHANISMS
Pouches	Balanced Diet: Healthy Wraps	Wheels and Axles
Outcomes could be different eg a puppet. Skills need to be the same. Running stitch Using a template Joining fabrics Decorating with fabric glue or stitching	 Food groups Balanced meals Preparing ingredients Balanced combination of ingredients. Planning a recipe Creating and evaluating wraps 	 Exploring how wheels move Fixing broken wheels Designing a moving vehicle Building a moving vehicle

Cycle A (Year 3 and Year 4) 2024/2025

Autumn	Spring	Summer
TEXTILES	COOKING AND NUTRITION	MECHANISMS
 Fastenings (Book Sleeve) Different fastenings Designing a product to meet design criteria Paper mock-up and preparing fabric Assembling a book sleeve 	Adapting a recipe (biscuits and packaging) Transition Unit 24/25 • Food around the world (eating seasonally L1) • Evaluate existing biscuit products • Prepare and cook a dish • Selecting ingredients and follow a budget • Packaging • Market research • Evaluating a final product Eating Seasonally Making Tarts from 2026/2027 onwards	Building a car chassis Designing a shape that reduces air resistance Making a model Assembly and testing
	 Food around the world Benefits of seasonal food Cutting and peeling Evaluating seasonal ingredients Making a mock-up Making and Evaluating seasonal tarts 	

Cycle B (Year 3 and Year 4) 2025/2026

Autumn	Spring	Summer
MECHANISMS	ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS	STRUCTURES
Pneumatic Toys	Torches	Pavilions
 Exploring pneumatics Designing a pneumatic toy Creating a pneumatic system Test and finalise ideas against design criteria 	 Electrical products Evaluating torches Designing a product to fit specific user needs Torch assembly Evaluation 	 Exploring frame structures Designing a pavilion Building a pavilion frame structure Adding cladding

Cycle B (Year 5 and Year 6) 2025/2026

Autumn	Spring	Summer
STRUCTURES	COOKING AND NUTRITION	MECHANISMS (Year 5)
Bridges	Come Dine with Me Main Meal	Pop up Book
 Reinforcing structures Spaghetti truss bridges Building bridges Reinforce and evaluate product 	 Complementary flavours Research and design Explaining recipe choices Applying culinary skills and knowledge Evaluating 	 Designing a pop up book Making the book Using layers and spacers Creating a product for a target user

Cycle A (Year 5 and Year 6) 2024/2025

Autumn	Spring	Summer
MECHANISMS	TEXTILES	DIGITAL WORLD
Automata Toys (Offset, snail and peg)	Waistcoats Including blanket stitch for Year 6	Navigating the World
 Measuring, marking and cutting Frame assembly Experimenting with cams Housing and finishing touches 	 Designing a waistcoat Marking and cutting fabric Assembling the waistcoat (running stitch) Decorating (appliqué) 	 Design brief criteria Writing a program Developing a sustainable product concept Creating a virtual model Presenting a pitch