

Structures

Progression of skills

		Year 1	Year 2
		<u>Constructing a windmill</u>	<u>Baby bear's chair</u>
Skills	Design	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning the importance of a clear design criteria. • Including individual preferences and requirements in a design. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Generating and communicating ideas using sketching and modelling. • Learning about different types of structures, found in the natural world and in everyday objects.
	Make	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Making stable structures from card, tape and glue . • Learning how to turn 2D nets into 3D structures. • Following instructions to cut and assemble the supporting structure of a windmill. • Making functioning turbines and axles which are assembled into a main supporting structure. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Making a structure according to design criteria. • Creating joints and structures from paper/card and tape. • Building a strong and stiff structure by folding paper.
	Evaluate	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exploring the features of structures. • Comparing the stability of different shapes. • Testing the strength of own structures. • Identifying the weakest part of a structure. • Evaluating the strength, stiffness and stability of own structure.
Knowledge	Technical	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To understand that the shape of materials can be changed to improve the strength and stiffness of structures. • To understand that cylinders are a strong type of structure (e.g. the main shape used for windmills and lighthouses). • To understand that axles are used in structures and mechanisms to make parts turn in a circle. • To begin to understand that different structures are used for different purposes. • To know that a structure is something that has been made and put together. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To know that shapes and structures with wide, flat bases or legs are the most stable. • To understand that the shape of a structure affects its strength. • To know that materials can be manipulated to improve strength and stiffness. • To know that a structure is something which has been formed or made from parts. • To know that a 'stable' structure is one which is firmly fixed and unlikely to change or move. • To know that a 'strong' structure is one which does not break easily. • To know that a 'stiff' structure or material is one which does not bend easily.
	Additional	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To know that a client is the person I am designing for. • To know that design criteria is a list of points to ensure the product meets the clients needs and wants. • To know that a windmill harnesses the power of wind for a purpose like grinding grain, pumping water or generating electricity. • To know that windmill turbines use wind to turn and make the machines inside work. • To know that a windmill is a structure with sails that are moved by the wind. • To know the three main parts of a windmill are the turbine, axle and structure. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To know that natural structures are those found in nature. • To know that man-made structures are those made by people.

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		Year 3	Year 4
		<u>Constructing a castle</u>	<u>Pavilions</u>
Skills	Design	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Designing a castle with key features to appeal to a specific person/purpose. • Drawing and labelling a castle design using 2D shapes, labelling: - the 3D shapes that will create the features - materials needed and colours. • Designing and/or decorating a castle tower on CAD software. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Designing a stable pavilion structure that is aesthetically pleasing and selecting materials to create a desired effect. • Building frame structures designed to support weight.
	Make	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Constructing a range of 3D geometric shapes using nets . • Creating special features for individual designs. • Making facades from a range of recycled materials. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creating a range of different shaped frame structures. • Making a variety of free standing frame structures of different shapes and sizes. • Selecting appropriate materials to build a strong structure and cladding. • Reinforcing corners to strengthen a structure. • Creating a design in accordance with a plan. • Learning to create different textural effects with materials.
	Evaluate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluating own work and the work of others based on the aesthetic of the finished product and in comparison to the original design. • Suggesting points for modification of the individual designs. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluating structures made by the class. • Describing what characteristics of a design and construction made it the most effective. • Considering effective and ineffective designs.
Knowledge	Technical	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To understand that wide and flat based objects are more stable. • To understand the importance of strength and stiffness in structures. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To understand what a frame structure is. • To know that a 'free-standing' structure is one which can stand on its own.
	Additional	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To know the following features of a castle: flags, towers, battlements, turrets, curtain walls, moat, drawbridge and gatehouse - and their purpose. • To know that a façade is the front of a structure. • To understand that a castle needed to be strong and stable to withstand enemy attack. • To know that a paper net is a flat 2D shape that can become a 3D shape once assembled. • To know that a design specification is a list of success criteria for a product. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To know that a pavilion is a a decorative building or structure for leisure activities. • To know that cladding can be applied to structures for different effects. • To know that aesthetics are how a product looks. • To know that a product's function means its purpose. • To understand that the target audience means the person or group of people a product is designed for. • To know that architects consider light, shadow and patterns when designing.

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		Year 5	Year 6
		<u>Bridges</u>	<u>Playgrounds</u>
Skills	Design	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Designing a stable structure that is able to support weight. • Creating a frame structure with a focus on triangulation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Designing a playground featuring a variety of different structures, giving careful consideration to how the structures will be used, considering effective and ineffective designs.
	Make	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Making a range of different shaped beam bridges. • Using triangles to create truss bridges that span a given distance and support a load. • Building a wooden bridge structure. • Independently measuring and marking wood accurately. • Selecting appropriate tools and equipment for particular tasks. • Using the correct techniques to saws safely. • Identifying where a structure needs reinforcement and using card corners for support. • Explaining why selecting appropriating materials is an important part of the design process. • Understanding basic wood functional properties. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building a range of play apparatus structures drawing upon new and prior knowledge of structures. • Measuring, marking and cutting wood to create a range of structures. • Using a range of materials to reinforce and add decoration to structures.
	Evaluate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adapting and improving own bridge structure by identifying points of weakness and reinforcing them as necessary. • Suggesting points for improvements for own bridges and those designed by others. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improving a design plan based on peer evaluation. • Testing and adapting a design to improve it as it is developed. • Identifying what makes a successful structure.
Knowledge	Technical	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To understand some different ways to reinforce structures. • To understand how triangles can be used to reinforce bridges. • To know that properties are words that describe the form and function of materials. • To understand why material selection is important based on properties. • To understand the material (functional and aesthetic) properties of wood. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To know that structures can be strengthened by manipulating materials and shapes.
	Additional	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To understand the difference between arch, beam, truss and suspension bridges. • To understand how to carry and use a saw safely. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To understand what a 'footprint plan' is. • To understand that in the real world, design, can impact users in positive and negative ways. • To know that a prototype is a cheap model to test a design idea.