

Buglawton Primary School

Be the Best We Can

Topic: Mechanisms Subject: DT Year: 1 Term: Spring

What should I already know?	What should I be able to do by the end of the unit?
What will I know by the end of the unit? Understand that different mechanisms produce different types of movement. Know and use technical vocabulary relevant to the project.	 Begin to draw on their own experience to help generate ideas and research conducted on criteria. Begin to understand the development of existing products: What they are for, how they work, materials used. Begin to develop their ideas through talk and drawings. Make templates and mock ups of their ideas in card and paper or using ICT. Begin to make their design using appropriate techniques. Explore and use mechanisms [for example, levers, sliders], in their products. With help measure, mark out, cut and shape a range of materials. Begin to build structures, exploring how they can be made stronger, stiffer and more stable. Evaluate their work and discuss ways that are effective and ways that it could be improved.

Key Vocabulary	
design	strong
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thinking of new ideas	able to stand force
stiff	slider
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not bendy	a mechanism that slides part of a
	picture across or
	upwards, making it
	look like it's moving
lever	evaluate
Pivot	
a rigid bar resting on a pivot, used to move one end when pressure is applied to the other	discuss strengths and weaknesses

Agreed Real-Life Outcome:

Make a slider/lever picture or storybook, allowing a part of a picture to move