

Buglawton Primary School

Be the Best We Can

Year: 5 Topic: Mechanisms Subject: DT Term: Autumn

What should I already know? Understand and use lever and linkage mechanisms. Distinguish between fixed and loose pivots. Know and use technical vocabulary relevant to the project. Know about inventors, designers, engineers, chefs and manufacturers who have developed ground breaking products. Start to understand whether products can be recycled or reused. Start to understand that mechanical and electrical systems have an input, process and output. Start to understand that mechanical systems such as levers and linkages or pneumatic systems create movement. What will I know by the end of the unit?

- Understand that mechanical and electrical systems have an input, process and an output.
- Understand how gears and pulleys can be used to speed up, slow down or change the direction of movement.
- Know and use technical vocabulary relevant to the project.

What should I be able to do by the end of the unit?

- Start to generate, develop, model and communicate their ideas through discussion, annotated sketches, cross-sectional and exploded diagrams, prototypes, pattern pieces.
- Begin to use research and develop design criteria to inform the design of innovative, functional, appealing products that are fit for purpose.
- With growing confidence select appropriate materials, tools and techniques.
- Select appropriate materials, tools and techniques e.g. cutting, shaping, joining and finishing, accurately.
- Understand how mechanical systems such as cams or pulleys or gears create movement.
- Begin to measure and mark out more accurately.
- Demonstrate how to use skills in using different woodwork tools and equipment safely and accurately with growing confidence cut and join with accuracy to ensure a good-quality finish to the product.
- Evaluate their work both during and at the end of the assignment.

Key Vocabulary				
design	evaluate			
thinking of new ideas	discuss strengths and			
_	weaknesses			
vehicle	wheel			
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used to transport	a circular object that			
people or objects	allows an object to			
	move			
axel	chassis			
a rod that holds a	the base frame of a			
wheels of a vehicle	car or vehicle			
Fixed pivot	dowel			
a fixed point around which something turns or rotates	a cylindrical rod made of wood or plastic			

Agreed Real-Life Outcome: Research, design, make and evaluate an exploratory rover that can explore the surface of another planet.