







	Year 1	Year 2
Autumn	Mechanisms: Sliders and levers How can you make a picture move? Know common uses of sliders Know different methods to create card sliders Know how sliders can create simple mechanisms Be able to design and make a slider product Be able to evaluate the success of their outcomes and recommend improvements	Textiles: Exploring shape using a template How can you repurpose an item of clothing? Know how to cut out shapes which have been created by using a template Know how to use a range of basic sewing skills Be able to use a template to transfer a pattern Be able to cut out and join fabric shapes using a template
Spring	 Structures: Freestanding structures How can you stop a tower from toppling over? Know a freestanding structure is a structure that stands on its own foundation or base without attachment to anything else Be able to build structures that are freestanding using a range of different materials 	Food and Nutrition: Nutrients and the body What does healthy mean? • Know why vegetables are so important to our health • Know what processed foods are • Be able to prepare a range of salad vegetables • Be able to shape and season a bread snack
Summer	Food and Nutrition: Exploring food senses How does food affect your senses? • Know why colourful food can be healthier • Know how different foods can affect senses • Be able to peel, chop and grate a selection of vegetables • Be able to modify food to suit food senses	Mechanisms: Axles and wheels Are bigger wheels always better? • Know how wheels and axles work together • Know the size and position of wheels affects how they move • Be able to create a simple wheel mechanism • Be able to use wheel mechanisms to propel a simple vehicle





	Year 3	Year 4
Autumn	Textiles: Stiffening and strengthening fabric How can you make a box out of cloth? • Know fabric can be stiffened • Know stiffened fabric can hold a form • Be able to select and apply solutions to stiffen fabric • Be able to make a box using stiffened fabric	Food and Nutrition: Ultra-processed food What's really in your food? • Know processed foods have many added ingredients • Be able to make, roll and shape bread dough • Be able to make a soup
Spring	Food and Nutrition: Individual diets What do we mean by a balanced diet? • Know what is meant by the term balanced • Know why fresh foods are better • Be able to make a fruit and yoghurt dessert • Be able to make homemade chips • Be able to flavour foods to increase their sensory qualities	 Textiles: Fixings and fastenings How do you keep a tea towel from slipping off a hook? Know fastenings have different functions Know a shank provides a small amount of space between the button and fabric Be able to select appropriate fastenings and attach them to fabric Be able to make a shank for a button
Summer	Structures: Spanning gaps What makes a bridge strong? • Know bridges are structures that allow people and vehicles to cross over an open space • Know towers, piers and arches provide strength to a bridge • Be able to design and build a beam bridge that can hold the weight of 100 pennies • Be able to identify and name parts of a bridge	Electrical Systems: Switches and circuits revisited How useful are switches? • Know a switch is an interruption in a circuit • Know switches are widely used in a range of products • Be able to incorporate different types of switches into circuits to perform a function





	Year 5	Year 6
Autumn	Food and Nutrition: Food choices Why are our diets so different? • Know some foods and key ingredients from other cultures • Know how other cultures' food can be nutritious • Be able to make, roll and cook a flatbread • Be able to prepare a range of vegetables • Be able to present foods to a high standard	Food and Nutrition: Multicultural influences on food Can street foods save us? • Know what street foods are • Know how snacks can be good foods to eat • Be able to make a burrito • Be able to make and roll bread dough • Be able to make a savoury pastry
Spring	Systems: Using technology to design and control How can we keep ourselves safe on the road? Know technology can be used to program and control a product Be able to combine elements of their design knowledge to fulfil a brief	Structures: Developing structures that are fit for purpose How are frames strengthened, reinforced and made rigid? • Know engineers use a range of methods to strengthen and reinforce structures • Be able to identify and describe ways that frames are strengthened and reinforced
Summer	Mechanisms: Pulleys and gears - transferring rotational force How can you lift a car onto a roof? Know types of gears and terminology relating to gears Know common uses of pulleys and gears Know how pulleys and gears can change the direction of movement Be able to design and make products that use pulleys and gears to lift loads Be able to evaluate the success of outcomes and recommend improvements	Electrical Systems: Complex switches and circuits Can switches perform more than one function? • Know more than one switch can be used to change the functionality of a product • Be able to use switches to adapt a product in response to a design brief

