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Year 1	Mechanisms: Moving storybook	Textiles: Easter puppet design	Structures: Windmills
	 Identify whether a mechanism is a sideto-side slider or an up-and-down slider and determine what movement the mechanism will make. Clearly label drawings to show which parts of their design will move and in which direction. Wake a picture, which meets the design criteria, with parts that move purposefully as planned. Evaluate the main strengths and weaknesses of their design and suggest alterations. 	 Join fabrics together using pins, staples or glue. Design a puppet and use a template. Join their two puppets' faces together as one. Decorate a puppet to match their design. 	 Identify some features that would appeal to the client (a mouse) and create a suitable design. Explain how their design appeals to the mouse. Make stable structures, which will eventually support the turbine, out of card, tape and glue. Make functioning turbines and axles that are assembled into the main supporting structure. Say what is good about their windmill and what they could do better.
Year 2	Cooking and nutrition: A balanced diet	Structures: A sturdy chair	Textiles: Pouches
	 Name the main food groups and identify foods that belong to each group. Describe the taste, texture and smell of a given food. Think of four different wrap ideas, considering flavour combinations. Construct a wrap that meets the design brief and their plan. 	 Identify man-made and natural structures. Identify stable and unstable structural shapes. Contribute to discussions. Identify features that make a chair stable. Work independently to make a stable structure, following a demonstration. Explain how their ideas would be suitable for Baby Bear. 	 Sew a running stitch with regular-sized stitches and understand that both ends must be knotted. Prepare and cut fabric to make a pouch from a template. Use a running stitch to join the two pieces of fabric together. Decorate their pouch using the materials provided.

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		 Produce a model that supports a teddy, using the appropriate materials and construction techniques. Explain how they made their model strong, stiff and stable. 	
Year 3	Pesign Skills – Working to a brief • Task analysis • Product Analysis • How to write a specification • Initial ideas and how to annotate • How to write an evaluation	Communicating designs – CAD Basics of tinkercad software How to convert 2D drawings to 3D Modelling 3D products in CAD Developing a 3D design in CAD Communicating their design	Mechanisms – Moving Book Levers and Linkages •What are levers? •Practical experiment of linkages •Initial ideas of pop up book using mechanisms •Development of pop up book •Making pop up book •Evaluation
Year 4	Food - Healthy and Varied Diet The diet Eatwell guide Energy Nutrients - Macro and Micro Digestion Making Activity - Crunchy chickpea sandwich	Textiles - 2D shape to 3D shape Design brief and task analysis Stitches skills Design specification and Design ideas Making - Pattern cutting Making - embellishments Making - Assembly Evaluation	Electronics — simple circuits and switches • How does electricity work? Inputs/outputs • How does a circuit work? • Components • Making • Making • Testing and Evaluation
Year 5	Structures - Bridge Building Project • Forces - compression, tension, torsion, shear • How to reinforce structures - triangulation and types of bridges. • Initial ideas of bridges • Make bridges in team • Testing!	Food - seasonality What is seasonality? Food and origins Farming and processing Where does our food come from Making Activity	 Mechanisms – Mechanical Toy design Gears – types of gears and simple gear trains Design brief and product analysis Skills – modelling use of cams and gears Design ideas Making Making

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Year 6	Make Combining / joining - F1 car	Food - celebrating culture	Electronics – programmable components
	•Aerodynamics and forces •Initial ideas •Modelling •Learning how to used 2D CAD •Modelling in CAD •Making •Race Day!	Intro Food from around the world Designing dishes that celebrate global food	 Flowcharts – symbols and how to draw a flowchart Planning Programs using flow charts Programming buggies or microbit?