

Design and Technology Long Term Plan

At Reynolds Academy, we use the milestones created by Chris Quigley Education to support our wider curriculum. We teach Design and Technology at the end of each half term within one week ending in a showcase of the work that the children have produced as part of that unit.

Overview	Autumn term	Spring term	Summer term
Milestone 1	Year 1 of study	Year 1 of study	Year 1 of study
	What is Design and Technology?	Frame structures	Portable snacks
	Structures introduction	Solid structures	
			Year 2 of study
	Year 2 of study	Year 2 of study	Couscous dish
	What is Design and Technology?	Lower mechanisms	
	Slider mechanisms	Wheel and axel mechanisms	
Milestone 2	Year 1 of study	Year 1 of study	Year 1 of study
	What is Design and Technology?	Frame structures	App control
	Vegetable soup	Shell structures	
			Year 2 of study
	Year 2 of study	Year 2 of study	Dips
	What is Design and Technology?	Linked levers	
	Paper circuits	Pneumatics	
Milestone 3	Year 1 of study	Year 1 of study	Year 1 of study
	What is Design and Technology?	Arch structures	Food throughout the year
	Cams	Frame structures	
			Year 2 of study
	Year 2 of study	Year 2 of study	Artificial intelligence
	What is Design and Technology?	Electronic motors	Bolognaise
	Pulleys and gears	Bread	

Key Skills	Master Practical Techniques	Take Inspiration from Design	Design, make, evaluate and improve
Milestone 1	 Materials Cut materials safely using tools provided. Measure and mark out to the nearest centimetre. Demonstrate a range of cutting and shaping techniques (such as tearing, cutting, folding and curling). Demonstrate a range of joining techniques (such as gluing, using hinges or combining materials to strengthen). Structures Practise drilling, screwing, gluing and nailing materials to make and strengthen products. Mechanisms Create products using levers, wheels and winding mechanisms. Food and nutrition Cut, peel and grate ingredients safely and hygienically. Measure or weigh using measuring cups or electronic scales. Assemble and cook ingredients. 	 Explore objects and designs to identify likes and dislikes. Suggest improvements to existing designs. Explore how products have been created. 	 Design products that have a clear purpose and an intended user. Make products, refining the design as work progresses. Use software to design.
Milestone 2	 Materials Cut materials accurately and safely by selecting appropriate tools. Measure and mark out to the nearest millimetre. Apply appropriate cutting and shaping techniques that include cuts within the perimeter of the material (such as slots or cut outs). 	 Identify some of the great designers in all of the areas of study (including pioneers in horticultural techniques) to generate ideas for designs. Improve upon existing designs, giving reasons for choices. Disassemble products to understand how they work. 	 Design with purpose by identifying opportunities to design. Make products by working efficiently (such as by carefully selecting materials). Refine work and techniques as work progresses, continually evaluating the product design.

	 Select appropriate joining techniques. Electrics and computing Create products with series and parallel circuits. Control and monitor models using apps designed for this purpose. Mechanisms Use scientific knowledge of the transference of forces to choose appropriate mechanisms for a product (such as linked levers or pneumatics). Structures Choose suitable techniques to construct products or to repair items. Strengthen materials using suitable techniques. Food and nutrition Prepare ingredients hygienically using appropriate utensils. Measure ingredients accurately to the nearest gram. Follow a recipe. Assemble and cook ingredients (controlling the temperature of the hob, if cooking). 		•	Use apps to design and represent product designs.
Milestone 3	 Materials Cut materials with precision and refine the finish with appropriate tools (such as sanding wood after cutting or using a more precise scissor cut after roughly cutting out a shape). Show an understanding of the qualities of materials in order 	 Combine elements of design from a range of inspirational designers throughout history, giving reasons for choices. Create innovative designs that improve upon existing products. Evaluate the design of products so as to suggest improvements to the user experience. 	•	Design with the user in mind, motivated by the service a product will offer (rather than simply for profit). Make products through stages of prototypes, making continual refinements. Ensure products have a high-quality finish, using art skills where appropriate.

to choose appropriate tools to cut	•	Use prototypes, cross-sectional
and shape (e.g. the nature		diagrams and computer-aided
of fabric may require sharper		designs to represent designs.
scissors than would be used to		
cut paper).		
Electrics and computing		
Create products using electronics		
kits that employ a number		
of components (such as LEDs and		
resistors).		
• Write code to control and monitor		
models or products.		
Structures		
• Develop a range of practical skills to		
create products (such as		
cutting, drilling and screwing,		
nailing, gluing, filing and sanding).		
Mechanisms		
Convert rotary motion to linear		
using cams.		
Use innovative combinations of		
electronics (or computing)		
and mechanics in product designs.		
Food and nutrition		
Understand the importance of		
correct storage and handling		
of ingredients (using knowledge of		
micro-organisms).		
 Measure accurately and calculate 		
ratios of ingredients to		
scale up or down from a recipe.		
• Demonstrate a range of baking and		
cooking techniques.		
• Create and refine recipes, including		
ingredients, methods,		
 cooking times and temperatures. 		