

Medium Term Plan: Supporting Implementation of LTP/Progression Grid

Subject: DT – Free-standing structures NC/PoS:	Year: 1 (KS1)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Design purposeful, functional, appealing products for themselves and other users based on design criteria.- Generate, develop, model and communicate their ideas through discussion and annotated sketches.- Select from tools and equipment to perform practical tasks [for example, cutting, shaping, joining and finishing] accurately.- Select from and use a wide range of materials and components, including construction materials, according to their characteristics.- Explore and evaluate a range of existing products.- Evaluate their ideas and products against design criteria.- Build structures, exploring how they can be made stronger, stiffer and more stable.	
Prior Learning (what pupils already know and can do)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Know how to use basic tools e.g. scissors or hole punches with construction materials e.g. plastic, card.- Know different methods of joining card and paper – glue and tape.- Know how to use various construction materials.- Know how to construct, stacking blocks vertically and horizontally, making enclosures and creating spaces.- Know how to join construction pieces together to build and balance.- Know about the needs of different animals from science – food, water, oxygen, shelter.- Children have visited Chester Zoo and have seen the different types of enclosures and have experienced being a visitor - one of the intended users.	
End points (what pupils MUST know and remember)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Know how to design a structure and can explain the user and purpose. For example: an animal enclosure for people to visit.- Know how to draw an annotated sketch of their free-standing structure and can label it with materials.- Know how to select from PVA glue, glue sticks and scissors to cut and join materials (card and cardboard).- Know how to name free-standing structures: Eiffel tower (European. More familiar example) and The Burj Khalifa in Dubai (tallest example)- Know how to discuss the different types of animal enclosures – penguins must have water to swim in and land, lions need high fences, so they don't jump out, giraffes need trees to eat from.- Know if their structure is suitable for the intended user and purpose. They can offer a way to improve their structure with some guidance.- Know how to strengthen a structure using stronger materials, like card instead of paper or lollipop sticks instead of cardboard.	
Key Vocabulary	
Free-standing structure, framework, strengthen, user, purpose, appeal, evaluate	
Session 1:	
Evaluating existing products	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Discuss definition of a free-standing structure and framework- Look at and research free-standing structures, Eiffel tower and The Burj Khalifa in Dubai. (tallest example)	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Explore zoo enclosures, link back to Knowsley safari park visit in the autumn term. Consider the user (both visiting user and permanent resident (animal)), purpose and appeal of the enclosures.- Consider the zookeeper and how they will look after the animals and feed them.- Moral – Discuss the positives and drawbacks of having animals in zoos.- Rule of law – Discuss the rules for keeping animals both at home and at zoos. <p>Vocab: Free-standing structure, framework, user, purpose, evaluate</p>
<p>Session 2:</p> <p>Practising skills</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Practise assembling, joining and combining materials and components together using a variety of methods – glue, tape, string etc- Explore making their structures more stable and able to withstand greater loads: explore the use of paper vs card vs cardboard vs wood (like lolly pop sticks.)- Know how freestanding structures can be made stronger, stiffer and more stable – fold the card, reinforce with cardboard or lolly pop sticks. <p>Vocab: Free-standing structure, framework, strengthen</p>
<p>Session 3:</p> <p>Designing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Create a design criterion that considers the user, purpose and appeal.- Generate ideas based on simple design criteria and their own experiences, explaining what they could make: animal enclosure- Develop, model and communicate their ideas through talking and annotated sketches.- Children receive a message from the zoo requesting the children create a prototype of an animal enclosure for a new animal that is joining the zoo (elephant, penguin, monkey, lion).- Children's design to be done as an aerial view (geography link). <p>Vocab: Free-standing structure, framework, strengthen, user, purpose, appeal, evaluate</p>
<p>Session 4:</p> <p>Making – DT consultant to supply high quality materials and support for this session.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Plan by suggesting what to do next.- Select and use tools, skills and techniques, explaining their choices.- Select new and reclaimed materials and construction kits to build their structures – paper, card, cardboard, lollipop sticks, straws etc. (children may choose to use their own resources from home to make their enclosure unique/more suitable)- Use simple finishing techniques suitable for the structure they are creating e.g. the penguin enclosure may have a clear window to look through.- Resilience – during the entire making process, we discuss keeping on trying and never giving up even if the task gets tricky. <p>Vocab: Free-standing structure, framework, strengthen, user, purpose, appeal</p>
<p>Session 5:</p> <p>Evaluating</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Evaluate their product by discussing how well it works in relation to the purpose, the user and whether it meets the original design criteria.- Consider if it is appealing.- Honesty – during the evaluation stages discuss being honest with ourselves (self-reflection) and others to ensure we can improve ourselves and our work.- Evaluate: How has the free-standing structure been stabilised?

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Vocab: evaluate

Future learning this content supports:

LKS2 – Shell structures

UKS2 – Frame structures