

Laurel Avenue Community Primary School: Design and Technology Curriculum Overview– Chris Quigley

As Designers, we will demonstrate:

- Significant levels of originality and the willingness to take creative risks to produce innovative ideas and prototypes.
- An excellent attitude to learning and independent working.
- The ability to use time efficiently and work constructively and productively with others.
- The ability to carry out thorough research, show initiative and ask questions to develop an exceptionally detailed knowledge of users' needs.
- The ability to act as responsible designers and makers, working ethically, using finite materials carefully and working safely.
- A thorough knowledge of which tools, equipment and materials to use to make their products.
- The ability to apply mathematical knowledge.
- The ability to manage risks exceptionally well to manufacture products safely and hygienically.
- A passion for the subject and knowledge of, up-to-date technological innovations in materials, products and systems.

Breadth of Study: KS1 Breadth of Study: KS2 Through a variety of creative and practical activities, pupils should be taught the Through a variety of creative and practical activities, pupils should be taught the knowledge, understanding and skills needed to engage in an iterative process of knowledge, understanding and skills needed to engage in an iterative process of designing and making. They should work in a range of relevant contexts, such as designing and making. They should work in a range of relevant contexts, such as the home and school, gardens and playgrounds, the local community, industry the home, school, leisure, culture, enterprise, industry and the wider environment. and the wider environment. When designing and making, pupils should be taught to: When designing and making, pupils should be taught to: Design Design • use research and develop design criteria to inform the design of innovative, functional, appealing products that are fit for purpose, aimed at particular • design purposeful, functional, appealing products for themselves and other individuals or groups. users based on design criteria. • generate develop, model and communicate their ideas through talking, drawing, • generate, develop, model and communicate their ideas through discussion, templates, mock-ups and, where appropriate, information and communication annotated sketches, cross-sectional and exploded diagrams, prototypes, pattern technology. pieces and computer-aided design. Make Make • select from and use a range of tools and equipment to perform practical tasks • select from and use a wider range of tools and equipment to perform practical such as cutting, shaping, joining and finishing. tasks, such as cutting, shaping, joining and finishing, accurately. • select from and use a wide range of materials and components, including • select from and use a wider range of materials and components, including construction materials, textiles and ingredients, according to their construction materials, textiles and ingredients, according to their functional properties and aesthetic qualities. characteristics.

Evaluate		Evaluate					
• explore and evaluate a range of existing products.		• investigate and analyse a range of existing products.					
 evaluate their ideas and products against design criteria. <i>Technical knowledge</i> build structures, exploring how they can be made stronger, stiffer and more stable. 		 evaluate their ideas and products against their own design criteria and consider the views of others to improve their work. understand how key events and individuals in design and technology have helped shape the world 					
					wheels and arles in their	Technical knowledge	
• explore and use mechanisms, such as levers, sliders, wheels and axles, in their products.		 apply their understanding of how to strengthen, stiffen and reinforce more complex structures. 					
 Cooking and nutrition use the basic principles of a healthy and varied diet to prepare dishes. understand where food comes from. 		 understand and use mechanical systems in their products, such as gears, pulleys, cams, levers and linkages. understand and use electrical systems in their products, such as series circuits incorporating switches, bulbs, buzzers and motors. apply their understanding of computing to programme, monitor and control their products. Cooking and nutrition understand and apply the principles of a healthy and varied diet. prepare and cook a variety of predominantly savoury dishes using a range of cooking techniques. 					
				• understand seasonality and know where and how a variety of ingredients are grown, reared, caught and processed.			
				Threshold Concepts:			
				Master practical skills	Design, make, evaluate and improve		Take inspiration from design throughout history
				This concept involves developing the skills needed to make high quality products (we have highlighted a range of skills but they may be added to or changed	This concept involves developing the process of design thinking and seeing design as a process.		This concept involves appreciating the design process that has influenced the products we use in everyday life.