

St Paul's Church of England Primary School



"Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young but set an example for the believers in speech; in conduct; in love; in faith and in purity."

(1 Timothy 4:12)

Subject: DT	Year group: 2 Term: Spring 1		Title: Explorers
What should I know?	Facts I will learn	Key questions	
 How to use simple tools safely and appropriately How to construct with a purpose in mind How to select the materials I need for building and joining How to select different materials for different purposes How to evaluate existing products. How to design a product based on existing products and their own ideas How to select materials for a purpose How to join materials for a purpose 	 What an axle is and its purpose in the design and construction of vehicles That the prototypes must be tested to identify strengths and weaknesses That designers often plan and create more than one prototype That a range of materials can be used for the same purpose and that the most suitable material must be chosen 	 Product - what kind of vehicle could we make? Purpose - what surfaces does it need to travel upon? User - who is going to use it? What is an axle? What is a chassis? 	
Key SkillsTo use pictures and words to	Experiences that school may provide:	Key vocab	Definition
To use pictures and words to		Axle	A bar or shaft on which a wheel or wheels turn.
		Chassis	The frame that supports the body and engine in a vehicle.

- explain and develop their designs
- To develop more than one idea making different choices of materials
- To use the appropriate joins for different materials
- To use a range of materials to create models with wheels
- To cut dowel using hacksaw and bench hook
- To attach wheels to a chassis using an axle

- The opportunity to explore a range of toy vehicles
- Investigating vehicles on different surfaces



Web links

https://www.youtube.com/watch?
v=5cKpzp358F4 (Video of a moon buggy in action)

https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=ndT35agDfAQ

(Video that explains the purpose of an axle)

Experiences that could be provided at home...

- Making model vehicles using recycled materials or construction toys
- Exploring how their own toy vehicles are made, looking at a discussing the different parts and mechanisms