

Design and Technology Year 2 Spring 1

Wheels and Axles – Moon Buggy

Prior Learning:

Reception Mechanisms: pop up/lift-the-flap book

- Look at a variety of books with pop-ups and flaps.
- Join different materials with glue/tape.
- Cut templates out.
- Fold and cut paper and card for a desired effect.

Y1 Mechanisms: Sliders and levers a robot scene

Final Outcome: To make a moving moon buggy for Tim Peake to use on the moon.



Key Vocabulary

wheel
axle
axle holder
chassis
body cab
dowel
investigate
purpose
rotate

Objectives

taken from Progression Document

Design

- Use pictures and words confidently to convey what they want to design/make
- Propose more than two ideas for their product.
- Use kits/reclaimed materials to develop more than two ideas
- Model ideas with kits and reclaimed materials
- Select appropriate technique explaining: First... Next... After that...Then... Last...Finally...
- Explore ideas by rearranging materials, explaining why they have made their choices
- Select pictures independently to help develop ideas

Key Knowledge

Children will know that a wheel is a circular object that revolves on an axle and is fixed below a vehicle or other object to enable it to move easily over the ground.

They will know that an axle is a rod that enables a wheel to rotate.

An axle holder is the component through which an axle fits and rotates.

- Use drawings to record ideas with confidence as they are developed.
- Add detailed notes to drawings to help explanations.
- Describe their models and drawings of ideas and intentions.

Make

- Discuss their work as it progresses.
- Select materials from a wider range that will meet the design criteria.
- Select and name the tools needed to work the materials (saw, bench hook, templates, scissors, and spreader).
- Explain what they are making.
- Explain which materials they are using and why.
- Name the tools they are using.
- Describe what they need to do next and why.

Mechanisms: Wheels and axles

- Join appropriately for different materials and situations e.g. glue, glue gun, tape.
- Try out different axle fixings and their strengths and weaknesses.
- Make vehicles which contain free running wheels.
- Use a range of materials to create models with wheels and axles e.g. tubes, dowel, cotton reels.
- Cut dowel using hacksaw and bench hook.
- Attach wheels to a chassis using an axle.
- Mark out materials to be cut using a template.
- Fold, tear and cut paper and card.
- Cut along lines, straight and curved.

Evaluate

- Explore existing products. Investigate how they have been made and why.

A chassis is the frame or base on which a vehicle is built.

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Decide how existing products do/do not achieve their purpose and why.• Talk about their design as they develop and identify good and bad points, explaining how they could improve it.• Note changes made during the making process as annotation to plans/drawings.• Say what they like and do not like about items they have made and say why.• Discuss how closely their finished product meets their design criteria and how well it meets the needs of the user. | |
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