

# 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"><li>• Decide how existing products do/do not achieve their purpose and why.</li><li>• Talk about their design as they develop and identify good and bad points, explaining how they could improve it.</li><li>• Note changes made during the making process as annotation to plans/drawings.</li><li>• Say what they like and do not like about items they have made and say why.</li><li>• Discuss how closely their finished product meets their design criteria and how well it meets the needs of the user.</li></ul> |  |
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