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National curriculum:

- Design-use research and develop design criteria to inform the design of innovative, functional, appealing products that are fit for purpose, aimed at particular individuals or groups
- Make- select from and use a wider range of tools and equipment to perform practical tasks [for example, cutting, shaping, joining and finishing], accurately
- Evaluate- investigate and analyze a range of existing products
- Apply their understanding of how to strengthen, stiffen and reinforce more complex structures

Key vocabulary

shell structure	ribbing scoring	
three-dimensional (3-D)	laminating	shaping
shape	font	tabs
net	lettering	adhesives
cube	text	joining
cuboid	graphics	assemble
prism	decision	accuracy
vertex	evaluating	material
edge	design brief	stiff
face	design criteria	strong
length	innovative	reduce
width	prototype reuse	
breadth	capacity recycle	
corrugating	marking out	

Design Process	
	Investigative and Evaluative Activities (IEAs)
	Focused Tasks (FTs)
	Design, Make and Evaluate Assignment (DMEA)

Subject: DT

Year group: 3

Term: Autumn

Unit name: Structures- shell structures

Prior Knowledge -

- Experience of using different joining, cutting and finishing techniques with paper and card.
- A basic understanding of 2-D and 3-D shapes in mathematics and the physical properties and everyday uses of materials in science

Spiritual Development

2PE 1:12 Therefore, I will always be ready to remind you of these things, even though you already know them, and have been established in the truth which is present with you.



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Teaching aids			Key Learning- what will the children know by the
Assemble and evaluate 3-D shapes using standard sized card squares, rectangles, equilateral triangles, isosceles triangles and hexagons	Stiffening and strengthening sheet materials:		end of the unit?
joined with masking tape.	12	Laminating – glue together several layers	Evaluate a collection of different
		of card	 Explore and evaluate a collection of different shell structures including packaging to
		Corrugating – zig-zag a piece of paper or	determine which designs are most effective
	1 m	card and glue in between two layers of card	and judge the suitability of the shell structures
Nets for cubes Cuboid net Hexagonal prism net	TATATA	Ribbing – alue layers of straws between	for their purpose and user.
		layers of card	• To be able to take a small package apart
		700	identifying and discussing parts of a net
	10000	2000000	including the tabs e.g.
Tetrahedron net Hexagonal based Square based Triangular prism net			To be able to use kit parts with flat faces to
pyramid net pyramid net			with masking tape to create 3-D shapes
Creating the net for the product you are designing and making without using computer aided design:			Experiment with assembling in nets in
			numerous ways.
Draw the faces and stick them together			Children can demonstrate skills and
			techniques of scoring, cutting out and
			assembling using pre-drawn nets by
Add tabs, glue your			constructing a simple box.
paper net onto card and cut out			 To identify how there are different ways of stiffening and strengthening their shell
			structures e.g. folding and shaping.
			corrugating, ribbing, laminating.
			Children have created a design brief with the
			children within a context which is authentic
			and meaningful.
			• To be able to use annotated sketches and
			prototypes to develop, model and
			Consider how to explore the graphics
			techniques and media that could be used to
			achieve the desired appearance of their
			products.