



## Feedback from EYFS children about Design Technology (June 2022)

### General questions about Design Technology

*Children from Early Years have feedback on Design Technology. Some of the questions asked may have been slightly re-worded so they were accessible to children of all ages*

#### **What is Design Technology about?**

We talked about all the models they have made with lego and blocks. They talked about making models with boxes and painting them. The children could talk about baking gingerbread men when they learnt about the story and designing gingerbread houses.

#### **Tell me about your favourite piece of work in DT and tell me why you enjoyed learning about this**

- I enjoyed making the gingerbread biscuits.
- I liked my castle made from the outdoor construction materials.
- I liked my castle but it wasn't very good. He was clear that he could improve it if he tried again so we had a 5 minute challenge to rebuild a castle.

#### **What do you need to do to improve your learning in DT?**

Our castle re-build had a drawbridge with a button idea to lower the planks, which was repeated with a secret door behind the settee.

#### **Can you explain what some of this DT vocabulary means?**

Children knew that the drawbridge would lower down to open up the castle.

### Subject specific questions about Design Technology

#### **How does a pair of scissors work? Show me how you would use them safely.**

All the children could use the scissors and managed to cut along straight lines fairly accurately. Three of the four were starting to move the paper rather than the scissors and got a neater edge.

#### **Can you explain the process you would use to design a new product?**

All agreed that they sometimes draw things before they try to make them with some happy that they improve on their drawings and some thinking that the drawing was better.

### Action to take as a result of Pupil Feedback on Design Technology

- Thank staff for the opportunities they give children to explore Design Technology within the curriculum.
- Try to include words like designs for drawings prior to construction.
- Allow children the opportunity to talk about how they want to improve their models and where possible let them experiment with this.

**Next Pupil Feedback review: Spring Term 2023**

***'Never settle for less than your best'***

*Jesus said, 'I am the light of the world. Whoever follows Me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.' John 8:12*