DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY AT CALTON PRIMARY SCHOOL



Our DT provision aims
to be inspiring,
rigorous, creative and
practical to enable
our children to design
and make products
that solve real and
relevant problems
within a variety of
contexts

BIG IDFAS

- Food skills
- Materials
- Textiles
- Construction
- Mechanics
- Design and Evaluate

CONTENTS AND SEQUENCING

- Products and concepts are explored and investigated so children can become inspired to design their own variation.
- Each subject area: food, materials, textiles, construction, mechanics, textiles and designing are sequentially built on year on year referring to previous skills learnt and extending knowledge.
- Evaluation: Children are encouraged to critique their own and others work in a
 positive way. This information is used to decide what they would do differently
 during the project and how they might carryout projects in future.

LINKS WITH MATHS AND ENGLISH

Lessons are instructed by the teacher although children have the opportunity to explore their ideas and designs.

- Use of labels, captions, instructional writing and explanations.
- Speaking and reasoning.
- Numbers.
- Measuring.
- Trial and Error through problem solving.

RETRIEVAL SCALE

Recapping key skills taught in previous year group.

Building upon the prior skills through construction and deconstruction of items as well as using the appropriate vocabulary using low stakes quizzing.

PROGRESS

At the start of each big idea children are given the opportunity to explore the foundation skills, these are quickly assessed before the skill can be developed further.

Projects and curriculum strands of learning are carefully planned so prior knowledge and concepts are continually built upon.

SUPPORT

Every child has access to the Design and Technology National curriculum and EYFS framework.

Some children have further guidance from the teacher to access the learning effectively. Peer assessment to be used to help co-construct ideas and develop critical thinking and evaluation.

Some children are mentored with mind-set techniques to develop resilience and perseverance in design and technology.