

Design & Technology

Design technology update

Design technology always captures the imagination of pupils at Bransgore. The International Primary Curriculum provides them with a variety of challenges and this term has been no exception.

In key Stage 1, pupils were asked to design a device to enable people to wash their hands with a minimum of water, as part of their unit on 'Saving Water'.



Children in Key Stage 1 working together to make their design using different tools and components.

As part of the 'Young Entrepreneurs' unit, year 3 and 4 pupils will be asked to design and produce an item to market to other pupils. This will involve them doing some market research and setting up a market place to advertise and sell their product.

Design technology provides many cross-curricular links and as part of the Year 5/6 unit 'Making the News', pupils will be planning a storyboard for a news report. They will then use ICT to film and edit their reports, finally evaluating their product.

Teachers learn too!

At the end of the summer term, teachers took part in a morning investigating how to make structures stable, as well as trying out different techniques for making levers. This type of activity helps to sharpen teacher's skills and supplies creative ideas to use in the classroom. Our SCITT teachers will also have this experience later in December.

Design technology challenge

In February, the children will be experiencing a design technology challenge day, in which the whole school will be given a problem to solve involving designing and making. Something to look forward to!

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