

## Design and Technology in the Foundation Stage—Nursery



### What does it look like?

Design and Technology in Nursery can be found mainly in the strand of Exploring Media and Materials which falls under the area of Expressive Arts and Design.

In Nursery we have a creative station with a variety of resources to spark children's imagination to be create.. We encourage children to tell us about what they have made, and what resources they have used.

We also have construction areas indoors and outside, which has resources such as wooden blocks, Lego, stickle bricks, boxes, ramps etc. for children to construct with purpose in mind.

### WOW words

Cut

Make

Stick

Join

Scissors

Roll

Create

### Early Years Outcomes—

#### 3-4 years

- Explore different materials freely, in order to develop their ideas about how to use them and what to make..
- Develop their own ideas and then decide which materials to use to express them.
- Make imaginative and complex 'small worlds' with blocks and construction kits, such as a city with different buildings and a park.
- Join different materials and explore different textures..
- Create closed shapes with continuous lines, and begin to use these shapes to represent objects.



### Key Knowledge and Skills- Children will:

- Begin to use language to describe texture of items
- Use construction resources to build and balance.
- Be confident to 'have a go' with craft resources to build with a purpose in mind
- Understand the importance of using things safely i.e. scissors, stapler, hole punch
- Develop new language to describe what they have made and how it was made
- Understand what different tools are used for

### Key Questions

What could you use?

How could you join them together?

How do we use that safely?

Tell me about your creation?

What do you want to make?

What else could you have used?

