



## Marshalls Park Academy - Curriculum Overview

Subject: Design and Technology Year Group: 7

Students will be introduced to the workshops and graphics room. They will focus on a mixture of theory and practical skills. Projects will begin with theory and then move on to the design process. They will then complete the practical element and finish the topic with an evaluation. The evaluation allows students to become accustomed to critiquing their work and using keywords to explain technical processes.

The projects look at a variety of different materials and tools giving students a basic understanding of topics. This also creates an easy transition from year 7 to year 8.

TERM 1 WOODEN TOY	TERM 2 CHOCOLATE MOULD & PACKAGING	TERM 3 CAD/CAM
KNOWLEDGE/SKILLS	KNOWLEDGE/SKILLS	KNOWLEDGE/SKILLS
Students will learn a range of different cams and the motions they produce. Students will learn to mark out and cut a lap joint. Cut intricate shapes to attach to cam  Theory content CORE – Timbers & Boards + Environmental / Sustainability + Basic processing into stock forms.	Design to a given Brief. Produce pattern from MDF base and card. Vacuum form to produce mould. Design / develop packaging using 2D design with a focus on manipulating images & text. Maybe development of nets!  Theory content Plastic forming techniques. Vacuum from, Injection mould, Blow mould & extrusion. Recap and develop	Design then laser cut mobile phone holder. Focus on development of 2D design skills & recording development of design by copying work after each stage.  Theory content CORE – CAD, CAM Advantages & disadvantages. Raster / vector on laser cutter
Cams and levers. Types of motion.	understanding of the environmental impact of plastics with a simple LCA of a plastic product.	

KEY ASSESSMENTS	KEY ASSESSMENTS	KEY ASSESSMENTS
HALF TERM 1	HALF TERM 1	HALF TERM 1
Research (Timbers & motions)	Research (Papers & boards and functions of	Research (Target user, brief and specification)
Design ideas	packaging)	Design ideas
	Design ideas	
HALF TERM 2	Model	HALF TERM 2
Final product and evaluation		Final product
	HALF TERM 2	Evaluation
	Final product	
	Evaluation	