

Marvellous Machines

Autumn term -Beachcombers, Sailors, Cavers and Divers

This interest-led project teaches children about the technology that is part of their daily lives and how machines help us. The project gives children the opportunity to build and create marvellous machines.

Here are some ideas that you might like to do with your child at home.

Go on a machine hunt around your home. What can you find?

Vehicles are machines. What vehicles can you name? Do you have any toy vehicles in your home? Can you use construction kits or junk modelling materials to make a vehicle.

Batteries are a source of electric power. Do any of your toys need batteries? Is there anything else that needs batteries? What's your favourite battery-operated toy?

What's magnetic? Can you use a magnet to see what it sticks to around your home? What's magnetic. Play and explore magnetic toys.

Useful websites

NSPCC – Talking to your child about online safety

Childnet - Keeping under fives safe online

CBeebies - Make & Colour

Good reads

Chicken Clicking by Jeanne Willis

What Do Machines Do All Day? by Jo Nelson

Car, Car, Truck, Jeep by Katrina Charman

Mrs Armitage, Queen of the Road by Quentin Blake

No-Bot, the Robot with No Bottom by Sue Hendra and Paul Linnet

