

# TOPIC CATALOGUE

### SCIENCE-BASED TOPICS



PRECIOUS POTIONS
Explore making
potions, including
mixing, floating,
sinking, dissolving and
counting.



AIR
Explore different ways
to make bubbles and
fun ways to play with
moving objects
around with air.



COLOUR SCIENCE
Explore primary
colours, mixing
colours and
separating colours
with chromatography



WATER
Explore properties of
water and the basics
of the water cycle,
including warm water
rising.



MAGNETS
Explore magnets,
magnetic materials
and strength of
magnets including
games with magnets.



ICE ADVENTURES
Explore the properties
of ice and freezing
and melting, plus a
fun trick with salt, ice
and string.



RAINBOW HUNTERS
Explore rainbow
colours, how rainbows
are made and hunt for
rainbows inside and
outside.



CHEMISTRY CHAMPIONS
Explore chemistry and
how reactions make
things change,
observing three
different reactions.



MIRROR MISSIONS
Explore mirrors and
reflections, read mirror
codes and use mirrors
and angles to see
around and under.



WEATHER WATCHERS
Explore the weather and clouds and make rain gauges and anemometers to take measurements.





PITCH PERFECT Explore how sounds are made and investigate pitch and vibrations making our own instruments.



WHAT'S IT MADE OF? Explore what things are made of, investigating and sorting materials by their properties, including absorption.



BODY BUDDIES
Explore the human body including our hearts, our digestive systems and our skeletons.



GRAVITY PLAYGROUNDS Explore gravity, make our own slides, create artwork with swings and use magnets to defy gravity.



SINK IT!
Explore floating and sinking with counting, weight and problem solving challenge games.



SOUND SCIENCE
Explore the science of how sounds are made with shakers and drums and a fun way to see vibrations.



WHEN THE EARTH MOVES
Explore basic earth
science with
earthquake towers,
tsunamis and
volcanic eruptions.



A SHADOW SHOW Explore how shadows are made, different ways to change shadows and make a shadow puppet show.



CRAZY CATERPILLARS
Explore the life cycle of caterpillars with maths games, science reactions and zip line butterflies.



#### ENGINEERING-BASED TOPICS



BOAT BUILDING
Explore floating and
buoyancy, making
boats and testing
them out in a scientific
way.



BRIDGES ENGINEERING
Explore building
bridges from different
materials including
books, straws and
craft sticks.



MINI ARCHITECTS
Explore different
building designs and
how we can replicate
these using things in
our home.



FLYING FUN
Explore flying and
make planes to test
how weight and
shape affect how well
something flies.



TOWERS UP
Explore engineering
and strong
foundations to build
tall towers with blocks
and other materials.



RAMP RACERS
Explore ramps,
gradients, speed and
friction to race cars
and other objects
using fair tests.



MAGNIFICENT MACHINES
Explore engineering
with simple machines,
specifically the inclined
plane using fun games
and activities.



PULLEY ME UP
Explore pulleys and
why they are useful
and make a few
different pulleys to
investigate.



CLEVER LEVERS
Explore another simple machine: the lever to make seesaws, lift things and build and test catapults.



COOL CARS
Explore cars for imaginative play, make car artwork and learn about wheels and axles.



## MATHS & TECHNOLOGY-BASED TOPICS



WEIGHT
Explore weight, build our own seesaws and weighing scales and weigh and compare different objects.



CODING UNPLUGGED
An introduction to
coding and logic,
ordering with numbers
and rhymes and
giving instructions.



A CIRCUS OF SHAPES
Explore 2D shapes,
identifying and
hunting for shapes,
making our own
shapes and pictures.



HOW MUCH SPACE? Explore and compare volume with solids and liquids and investigate water displacement.



Explore robots and learn skills needed for coding: logic, sequencing and problem solving.



PATTERN PICKERS
Explore maths and
science with patterns
and matching
including messy art
and bubble patterns.



CREEPY CRAWLY SYMMETRY
Explore symmetry with
loose parts artwork,
butterfly paintings and
use mirrors to be
symmetry detectives.



## THEMES & TIME OF YEAR TOPICS



DISCOVER DINONSAURS Explore dinosaurs by making fossils, digging like paleontologists and making dinosaur skeletons.



SPACE EXPLORERS
Explore space by
creating star
constellations, launching
a rocket and printing the
Moon surface.



UNDER THE SEA Explore the sea including saltwater, what stops sharks sinking and a fishing trip with magnets.



SAFARI STEAM
Explore science and maths tied to animals with habitats, tracks and absorption giraffe skin.



ENVIRO WARRIORS
Explore what it means to save the planet by sorting rubbish, saving polar bears and cleaning oil spills.



HOCUS POCUS POTIONS
Explore potions for
Halloween by mixing and
combining and
separating mixtures and
making lava lamps.



FANTASTIC FIREWORKS
Explore fireworks by
mixing oil and water,
making firework
launchers and messy
art.



WINTER WONDERING
Explore science with a
winter theme with
snow in a jar, icy
snowmen and
snowflake patterns.



CHRISTMAS SPECIAL Explore Christmasthemed STEAM with toy chutes, ice lanterns and engineered Christmas trees.



NEW YEAR'S STEAM Explore New Year with shaving foam firework pictures, confetti launchers, and 2021 printing pictures.



PLANTING SPRING Explore plants by growing from beans, making art from the outdoors and making celery change colour.



EASTER EGGS-PERIMENTS
Explore on an Easter
theme to decorate eggs,
experiment with eggs
and investigate
properties of chocolate.

