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	TERM 1				
	STEM Fundamentals				
	UNIT OVERVIEW	ASSESSMENT			
TIMING Weeks:10	 Students will learn the fundamentals of Design thinking Scientific investigation Mathematical evaluation By participating in teams to complete tasks applying these concepts. Students will document their activities using a design portfolio template with individual contribution and contributions worked through with their team. Slender tower Parachute drop 				
	 The design portfolio used provides students with the opportunity to become familiar with the engineering design process using Empathise Define Ideate Prototype Test and evaluate Reflection of their project 				

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	TERM 2		
	UNIT OVERVIEW	ASSESSMENT	
	Working both individually and in a team, students will participate in a project based learning task to construct the strongest	Task Number: 1	
	possible bridge using only the provided materials. They will use the Design Portfolio Template from the Term 1 unit to document the design process and evaluate their project. The project will be split into 2 tasks.	Nature of Task: Individua	
		Task Design Portfolio	
	Task 1 is an individual assessment where students will document the process under the following headings.	Percentage: 20%	
	Empathise	Week: 4	
TIMING	Define	Reported: Semester 1	
Weeks: 4	Ideate - their individual solution		
	Teck 2 is a group assessment where students will design construct, test and evaluate their solution to the problem	Task Number: 2	
	Task 2 is a group assessment where students will design, construct, test and evaluate their solution to the problem.	Nature of Task: Group	
	Ideate - their group solution	Practical Task and Desigr	
	Prototype	Portfolio	
	Test and evaluate	Percentage: 80%	
	Reflect on their project	Week: 3-4	
		Reported: Semester 1	
	STEM Olympics		
	UNIT OVERVIEW	ASSESSMENT	
TIMING Weeks: 6	Working in a team students will participate in a project-based learning using mini challenges called STEM Olympics. These projects will strengthen the student's skills in team working and documentation of the design process.		
	Students will be given tasks and activities to further develop their skills in drawing and documenting their designs. Students will also practice their Science Inquiry skills and Mathematical calculations when completing these challenges. The following challenges may be used.		
	 Paper gyrocopter 		
	 Build a box 		
	Spoon catapult		
	Rubber band powered vehicle		
	Mini greenhouse		
	Gravity pinball machine		

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	TERM 3				
	3D Modelling				
TIMING Weeks: 10	UNIT OVERVIEW	ASSESSMENT			
	A completed theory notes and exercises for the following pages in the 3D Modelling Class Documents. Students will engage in various activities to create 3-Dimensional models using digital technology and research into the uses of modelling in society. The skills gained in these activities will be used in the remaining assessment.	Task Number: 3			
		Nature of Task: Team			
		Practical Project			
	Knick Knack	Percentage: 30%			
	 Uses in Technology Volume 	Week: 8			
	Mission to Mars	Reported: Semester 2			
	• Ziplines				

TERM 4				
	Mars Rover Perseverance and the Science of Ziplines			
	UNIT OVERVIEW	ASSESSMENT		
	Practical Folio Work (Zipline Challenge)	Task Number: 4		
TIMING Weeks: 10	An individually completed theory portfolio and construction for the Zipline Challenge. This challenge will begin in Term 3 and continue into Term 4.	Nature of Task:		
	Scenario: The student needs to imagine they are part of a team of astronauts exploring the Mars. While trying to collect soil samples for research, one of the astronauts on their team gets hurt. She is unable to climb back down to the base. Students need to design, build, and test a zipline to carry her down to safety. Students will work in class project-based learning activities	Individual Practical		
		Task and Portfolio		
		Percentage: 70%		
	Brainstorm	Week: 3		
	Design			
	Build Task	Reported: Semester 2		
	Test Speed Calculations			
	 Speed Calculations Weight Investigation 			