Year 5: Building Bridges Knowledge Mat

Subject Specific Vocabulary		Product Outcome	Important Knowledge
functionality	Being useful, practical and right for the purpose something was made.	Triangulation	I can identify a range of structures in my local area including beam bridges, arch bridges and truss bridges.
accurate	Correct and without any mistakes.		 I know how triangulation is used to reinforce structures. I know how to make a truss bridge that will hold a weight. I can identify a range of structures in my local area including beam bridges, arch
design specification	A list of criteria a product needs to meet.		
design decisions	The decisions made in the designing process.		 bridges and truss bridges. I know how triangulation is used to reinforce structures.
compression	Pressure which squeezes an object.		 I know how to make a truss bridge that will hold a weight. I know how the framework of a bridge affects its strength.
reinforce	To make a structure or material stronger, especially by adding another material or element to it.		I can effectively design a structure that can hold a weight, withstand
refine	To make minor changes to improve or perfect something.		compression, is cost effective, is well reinforced, and fits with the local environment. I can design using an
triangulation	The use of triangular shapes to strengthen a structure.		 exploding diagram and annotated sketches. I know how to use a saw, sand edges and securely join my
rigid	A material that is unable to bend or be forced out of shape; not flexible.	Latchford viaduct showing triangulation.	structure. I know how to strengthen, stiffen and reinforce my
tension	A force pulling on a material or structure.	Ŭ	structure. I can amend and improve my design and structure against the design criteria.