Year 4 Autumn 2nd – Design Technology – Sewing, Fasteners and Appliques

Key Facts:





⚠ Be very careful when threading the needle through the fabric, watch your fingers and ask an adult if you're unsure.

Key Vocabulary

aesthetic	How an object or product looks.
assemble/attach	To put parts together
design brief	To help designers focus their ideas and test the success based on the criteria.
fabric	A natural, man-made material that is made from plant fibres, animal fur or synthetic material.
fastener/fastening	Something that holds two pieces of material together securely.
prototype	A simple model that lets you test out your idea, how it will look and work.
stencil	A shape that you can draw around.
applique	Smaller pieces of fabric are attached to a larger base fabric to create a design, pattern, or picture.
seam	Where two pieces of fabric are joined by sewing.

Top Tips for Safe Sewing

- Always walk with scissors pointing down.
- Keep needles in a pin cushion.
- Work slowly and carefully.
- Tie a knot at the end of your thread before sewing.

