



"Putting things on their feet"

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Working with great enthusiasm, 12 pupils from the primary school in Dörzbach have put self-made collapsible chairs on their proverbial feet. As part of project work under the motto of "Young engineers", they built these on four afternoons spent at school and at the ebm-papst training workshop in Mulfingen.

The Dörzbach pupils built all the component parts themselves, partly by hand and partly using professional machines. "We deliberately refrained from using prefabricated parts," explains Sven Schmieg, training instructor at ebm-papst. "The children are meant to see and learn that products are not simply bought, but have to be developed and manufactured," continues Schmieg.

The objective of the project, which was run for the first time under the supervision of trainees, was to give the children a better understanding of engineering and to encourage their interest in craftsmanship. The collapsible chair was chosen because it is a typical article of daily use which the children can use every day.

The enthusiasm shown by everybody involved means that project work under the motto of "Young engineers" will be continued in 2012.

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