







Design and Technology Key Stage 2 Curriculum Subject Skills Progression

Purpose of Study

Design and technology is an inspiring, rigorous and practical subject. Using creativity and imagination, pupils design and make products that solve real and relevant problems within a variety of contexts, considering their own and others' needs, wants and values. They acquire a broad range of subject knowledge and draw on disciplines such as mathematics, science, engineering, computing and art. Pupils learn how to take risks, becoming resourceful, innovative, enterprising and capable citizens. Through the evaluation of past and present design and technology, they develop a critical understanding of its impact on daily life and the wider world. High-quality design and technology education makes an essential contribution to the creativity, culture, wealth and well-being of the nation.

Nurture – By nurturing their creative minds, we encourage all children to learn how to take risks with design and technology, becoming resourceful and imaginative pupils. Our hope is that by nurturing different ideas, needs and wants, to meet a design brief, this will improve their skills as well as their confidence to work independently.

Cherish – We are surrounded by the results of design and technology, of historical and conventional value. We encourage all children to appreciate and admire them, often from global inventions and ideas from different cultures. During their school career, children learn that resources, including food, are to be protected and respected by all who use them (in the classroom and on a global scale).

Shine – Through evaluation of their own and others work, including design and technology in the past, children develop critique skills, and learn how to use these effectively to improve designs. Children have the opportunity to showcase their design and technology products individually or as part of a group. Extra Design and Technology 'days' in addition to the planned curriculum give opportunities for all children to shine.

Flourish – As teachers we motivate all children to flourish as enterprising and capable citizens. We inspire children by showcasing important developments in design and technology, allowing them to choose and follow their own choices. We inspire children to have confidence to ask questions, be ambitious and draw on their associated knowledge of STEM subjects to allow them to flourish.

Skill	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	End of Key Stage	Vocabulary
					expectations	
Design	I prove that my	I use ideas from	I come up with a	I use market	Use research and	research, develop,
	design meets some	other people when I	range of ideas after	research to inform	develop design	structure society,
	set criteria.	am designing.	collecting	my plans and ideas.	criteria to inform	functional,
			information from		the design of	appealing, budget,
			different sources.		innovative,	criteria









	I follow a step-by- step plan, choosing the right equipment and materials. I design a product and make sure that it looks attractive.	I show awareness of who the product is being designed for. I produce a plan and explain it. I present a product in an interesting way.	I explain how a product will appeal to a specific audience. I produce a detailed step-by-step plan. I suggest alternative plans; outlining the positive features and drawbacks. I make a prototype before I make a final version.	I show that I consider suture and society in my design. I work within a budget. I follow and refine my plans. I justify my plans in a convincing way. I explain how products should be stored and give reasons.	functional, appealing products that are fit for purpose, aimed at particular individuals or groups Generate, develop, model and communicate their ideas through discussion, annotated sketches, cross-sectional and exploded diagrams, prototypes, pattern pieces and computer-aided design	equipment, materials, product, attractive, annotate, diagrams: cross - sectional and exploded, prototypes, pattern pieces, computer aided design (CAD), justify, convince
Make	I select the most appropriate tools and techniques for a given task. I work accurately to measure, make cuts and holes.	I measure accurately and choose appropriate tools, equipment and techniques.	I use a range of tools and equipment competently. I understand the importance of making accurate measurements.	I can independently select and use a range of tools and equipment. I construct products using permanent joining techniques	Select from and use a wider range of tools and equipment to perform practical tasks [for example, cutting, shaping, joining and finishing], accurately	appropriate tools, techniques, accuracy, competent, cutting, shaping, joining









				I pin, sew and stitch materials together create a product	Calaat faan aad	
	I choose a material for both its suitability and its appearance.	I can explain why I have chosen a particular material or component.	I can explain and evaluate my choice of materials.	I can independently select from a wide range of materials and explain and evaluate my choices.	Select from and use a wider range of materials and components according to their functional properties and aesthetic qualities - construction materials	suitability, appearance, components, functionality, aesthetic, construction, materials
	I choose a material for both its suitability and its appearance.	I can explain why I have chosen a particular textile.	I can explain and evaluate my choice of textiles.	I know that a 3D textiles product can be made from a combination of fabric shapes	Select from and use a wider range of materials and components according to their functional properties and aesthetic qualities - textiles	suitability, appearance, components, functionality, aesthetic, construction, textiles
	I describe how food ingredients come together.	I can explain why I have chosen a particular ingredient.	I can explain and evaluate my choice of ingredients.	I understand which ingredients can and cannot be substituted in a recipe	Select from and use a wider range of materials and components according to their functional properties and aesthetic qualities - ingredients	suitability, appearance, components, functionality, aesthetic, construction, ingredients









Evaluate	I prove that my	I use ideas from	I come up with a	I use market		investigate, analyse,
	design meets some	other people when I	range of ideas after	research to inform		evaluate, research,
	set criteria.	am designing.	collecting	my plans and ideas.	Investigate and	
			information from		analyse a range of	
		I evaluate products	different sources.		existing products	
		for both their				
		purpose and				
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	I can evaluate other	I evaluate and	I evaluate	I show that I can test		investigate, analyse,
	people's work.	suggest	appearance and	and evaluate my		evaluate, research,
	L age age what has	improvements for	function against	products.		test, improve
	I can say whether my design meets the	my designs.	original criteria.	I evaluate my	Evaluate their ideas and products	
	given criteria.	I explain how I have		product against	and products against their own	
	given criteria.	improved my		clear criteria.	design criteria and	
		original design.		cicai criteria.	consider the views	
		original acsign.			of others to improve	
		I persevere and			their work	
		adapt my work				
		when my original				
		ideas do not work.				
	I can investigate a	I investigate where	I can investigate	I investigate how		
	designer and use	products were	why certain	well products work		
	their work as	designed and made	products were	and why.	Understand how key	
	inspiration for my		designed and made.		events and	
	own designs.			I can reflect on how	individuals in design	
				designs have	and technology have	
				changed and been	helped shape the	
				adapted over time.	world	
				l ab acceth at l		
				I show that I		
				consider culture and		









				society in my plans and designs.		
Technical Knowledge	I know how to make strong, stiff shell structures	I know what materials are best used to create a strong, stiff structure.	I know how to join materials to create a 3D object.	I know how to reinforce/strengthen a 3D framework	Apply their understanding of how to strengthen, stiffen and reinforce more complex structures	strengthen, stiffen, reinforce, complex structures
	I make a product which uses both electrical and mechanical components.	I can explore different mechanical systems and follow instructions to create a product.	I understand how cams, pulleys and gears create movement	I can choose a mechanical system to achieve the desired effect.	Understand and use mechanical systems in their products [for example, gears, pulleys, cams, levers and linkages]	mechanical systems, gears, pulleys, cams, levers, linkagaes,
	I make a product which uses both electrical and mechanical components.	I understand how simple electrical circuits and components can be used to create functional products	I understand how more complex electrical circuits and components can be used to create functional products	I can choose electrical circuits and components to create functional products with the desired effect.	Understand and use electrical systems in their products [for example, series circuits incorporating switches, bulbs, buzzers and motors]	electrical systems, series circuits, switches, bulbs, buzzers, motors
	I can explore how programming can achieve a desired outcome.	I understand how programming can be used to achieve a desired outcome.		I understand how to program a computer to monitor changes in the environment / control their products	Apply their understanding of computing to program, monitor and control their products	monitor, control
Cooking and nutrition	I know how a healthy diet is made up from a variety	I know that to be active and healthy, food and drink are	I evaluate a meal and consider if it	I know different food and drink contain different	Understand and apply the principles	healthy, varied, balanced, diet, food groups









and balance of	needed to provide	contributes towards	substances	of a healthy and	
different food and	energy for the body	a balanced diet	(nutrients, water	varied diet	
drink	and identify healthy		and fibre) that are		
	high energy foods		needed for health		
I understand how to prepare and cook a variety of dishes including experience of using a heat source.	I know how to be both safe and hygienic when using food.	I show that I can be both hygienic and safe in the kitchen. I weigh and measure accurately (time, dry ingredients, liquids)	I know how to prepare and cook a variety of predominantly savoury dishes including the use of a heat source	Prepare and cook a variety of predominantly savoury dishes using a range of cooking techniques	safe, hygienic, savoury, bake, boil, grill, roast, fry, steam, microwave
I identify foods which come from the UK and other countries in the world		I know that food ingredients can be fresh, pre-cooked and processed	I explain how ingredients were grown, reared and caught. I understand that seasons may affect the food available.	Understand seasonality, and know where and how a variety of ingredients are grown, reared, caught and processed.	fresh, processed, season, grown, reared, caught