DT – Progression of Skills:

Structures:

		EYFS (Reception)	
		Junk modelling	Boats
Skills	Design	• Making verbal plans and material choices. • Developing a junk model.	• Designing a junk model boat. • Using knowledge from exploration to inform design.
	Make	• Improving fine motor/scissor skills with a variety of materials. • Joining materials in a variety of ways (temporary and permanent). • Joining different materials together. • Describing their junk model, and how they intend to put it together.	• Making a boat that floats and is waterproof, considering material choices.
	Evaluate	• Giving a verbal evaluation of their own and others' junk models with adult support. • Checking to see if their model matches their plan. • Considering what they would do differently if they were to do it again. • Describing their favourite and least favourite part of their model.	• Making predictions about, and evaluating different materials to see if they are waterproof. • Making predictions about, and evaluating existing boats to see which floats best. • Testing their design and reflecting on what could have been done differently. • Investigating the how the shapes and structure of a boat affect the way it moves.
Knowledge	Technical	• To know there are a range to different materials that can be used to make a model and that they are all slightly different. • Making simple suggestions to fix their junk model.	• To know that 'waterproof' materials are those which do not absorb water.
	Additional		• To know that some objects float and others sink. • To know the different parts of a boat.

		Year 2
		Baby bear's chair
Skills	Design	• Generating and communicating ideas using sketching and modelling. • Learning about different types of structures, found in the natural world and in everyday objects.
	Make	• Making a structure according to design criteria. • Creating joints and structures from paper/card and tape. • Building a strong and stiff structure by folding paper.
	Evaluate	• Exploring the features of structures. • Comparing the stability of different shapes. • Testing the strength of own structures. • Identifying the weakest part of a structure. • Evaluating the strength, stiffness and stability of own structure.
Knowledge	Technical	• To know that shapes and structures with wide, flat bases or legs are the most stable. • To understand that the shape of a structure affects its strength. • To know that materials can be manipulated to improve strength and stiffness. • To know that a structure is something which has been formed or made from parts. • To know that a 'stable' structure is one which is firmly fixed and unlikely to change or move. • To know that a 'strong' structure is one which does not break easily. • To know that a 'stiff' structure or material is one which does not bend easily.
	Additional	• To know that natural structures are those found in nature. • To know that man-made structures are those made by people.

		Year 3	Year 4
		Constructing a castle	Pavilions
Skills	Design	• Designing a castle with key features to appeal to a specific person/purpose. • Drawing and labelling a castle design using 2D shapes, labelling: -the 3D shapes that will create the features - materials needed and colours. • Designing and/or decorating a castle tower on CAD software.	• Designing a stable pavilion structure that is aesthetically pleasing and selecting materials to create a desired effect. • Building frame structures designed to support weight.
	Make	• Constructing a range of 3D geometric shapes using nets. • Creating special features for individual designs. • Making facades from a range of recycled materials.	• Creating a range of different shaped frame structures. • Making a variety of free standing frame structures of different shapes and sizes. • Selecting appropriate materials to build a strong structure and cladding. • Reinforcing corners to strengthen a structure. • Creating a design in accordance with a plan. • Learning to create different textural effects with materials.
	Evaluate	• Evaluating own work and the work of others based on the aesthetic of the finished product and in comparison to the original design. • Suggesting points for modification of the individual designs.	• Evaluating structures made by the class. • Describing what characteristics of a design and construction made it the most effective. • Considering effective and ineffective designs.
Knowledge	Technical	• To understand that wide and flat based objects are more stable. • To understand the importance of strength and stiffness in structures.	• To understand what a frame structure is. • To know that a 'free-standing' structure is one which can stand on its own.
	Additional	• To know the following features of a castle: flags, towers, battlements, turrets, curtain walls, moat, drawbridge and gatehouse - and their purpose. • To know that a façade is the front of a structure. • To understand that a castle needed to be strong and stable to withstand enemy attack. • To know that a paper net is a flat 2D shape that can become a 3D shape once assembled. • To know that a design specification is a list of success criteria for a product.	• To know that a pavilion is a a decorative building or structure for leisure activities. • To know that cladding can be applied to structures for different effects. • To know that aesthetics are how a product looks. • To know that a product's function means its purpose. • To understand that the target audience means the person or group of people a product is designed for. • To know that architects consider light, shadow and patterns when designing.

		Year 6
		Playgrounds
Skills	Design	• Designing a playground featuring a variety of different structures, giving careful consideration to how the structures will be used, considering effective and ineffective designs.
	Make	• Building a range of play apparatus structures drawing upon new and prior knowledge of structures. • Measuring, marking and cutting wood to create a range of structures. • Using a range of materials to reinforce and add decoration to structures.
	Evaluate	• Improving a design plan based on peer evaluation. • Testing and adapting a design to improve it as it is developed. • Identifying what makes a successful structure.
Knowledge	Technical	• To know that structures can be strengthened by manipulating materials and shapes.
	Additional	• To understand what a 'footprint plan' is. • To understand that in the real world, design , can impact users in positive and negative ways. • To know that a prototype is a cheap model to test a design idea.

Mechanisms / mechanical systems

		Year 1
		Option 2: Making a moving storybook
Skills	Design	• Explaining how to adapt mechanisms, using bridges or guides to control the movement. • Designing a moving story book for a given audience.
	Make	• Following a design to create moving models that use levers and sliders.
	Evaluate	• Testing a finished product, seeing whether it moves as planned and if not, explaining why and how it can be fixed. • Reviewing the success of a product by testing it with its intended audience.
Knowledge	Technical	• To know that a mechanism is the parts of an object that move together. •To know that a slider mechanism moves an object from side to side. • To know that a slider mechanism has a slider, slots , guides and an object. • To know that bridges and guides are bits of card that purposefully restrict the movement of the slider.
	Additional	• To know that in Design and technology we call a plan a 'design'.

		Year 2 Making a moving monster	Year 3 Option 2: Pneumatic toys
Skills	Design	• Creating a class design criteria for a moving monster. • Designing a moving monster for a specific audience in accordance with a design criteria.	• Designing a toy which uses a pneumatic system. • Developing design criteria from a design brief. • Generating ideas using thumbnail sketches and exploded diagrams. • Learning that different types of drawings are used in design to explain ideas clearly.
	Make	• Making linkages using card for levers and split pins for pivots. • Experimenting with linkages adjusting the widths, lengths and thicknesses of card used. • Cutting and assembling components neatly.	• Creating a pneumatic system to create a desired motion. • Building secure housing for a pneumatic system. • Using syringes and balloons to create different types of pneumatic systems to make a functional and appealing pneumatic toy. • Selecting materials due to their functional and aesthetic characteristics. • Manipulating materials to create different effects by cutting, creasing, folding and weaving.
	Evaluate	• Evaluating own designs against design criteria. • Using peer feedback to modify a final design.	• Using the views of others to improve designs. • Testing and modifying the outcome, suggesting improvements. • Understanding the purpose of exploded-diagrams through the eyes of a designer and their client.
Knowledge	Technical	• To know that mechanisms are a collection of moving parts that work together as a machine to produce movement. • To know that there is always an input and output in a mechanism. • To know that an input is the energy that is used to start something working. • To know that an output is the movement that happens as a result of the input. • To know that a lever is something that turns on a pivot. • To know that a linkage mechanism is made up of a series of levers.	• To understand how pneumatic systems work. • To understand that pneumatic systems can be used as part of a mechanism. • To know that pneumatic systems operate by drawing in, releasing and compressing air.
	Additional	• To know some real-life objects that contain mechanisms.	• To understand how sketches, drawings and diagrams can be used to communicate design ideas. • To know that exploded-diagrams are used to show how different parts of a product fit together. • To know that thumbnail sketches are small drawings to get ideas down on paper quickly.

		Year 5
		New Gears and pulleys
Skills	Design	• Noticing wider-reaching problems or needs in the community. • Identifying a wide range of needs and potential barriers through market research. • Writing more complex problem statements that consider multiple factors and constraints. • Creating more complex design criteria that require considering detailed user needs, environmental impact, materials and cost. • Coming up with a broader range of ideas and deeper innovation, requiring pupils to think critically about their ideas' practicality and originality. • Beginning to use more complex annotated sketches, such as cross-sectional and exploded diagrams and pattern pieces in design. • Using a series of prototypes to refine and improve their designs.
	Make	• Consistently apply safety instructions. • Select appropriate scissors to handle delicate cutting tasks and challenging materials. • Cutting patterns and drawings accurately. • In supervised groups, using hot glue guns safely. • Recognising that hot glue is useful for joining materials that need a strong bond that sets quickly. • Choosing PVA glue over hot glue for its safety when joining materials in less intensive projects.
	Evaluate	• Reflecting on the usability, aesthetics, innovation and sustainability of products and discussing how design choices impact these aspects. • Assessing their designs against a more complex set of design criteria that includes functionality, aesthetics, user experience, sustainability and cost. • Considering alternative materials, tools or techniques that could enhance the product. • Providing feedback that is helpful, specific, and encouraging. • Incorporating feedback from peers or users improve their product further, explaining the changes they made and the impact they had.
Knowledge	Technical	• That mechanical systems that use gears in everyday objects (eg bicycle, clock). • That gears and pulleys allow us to transfer movement and force from one part of a mechanical system to another. • That gears allow us to increase the output of a mechanism.
	Additional	• That market research is a way of collecting information about problems or needs. • That constraints are things that might stop our ideas being successful. • That original and innovative ideas are different from what has been made before. • That annotations are detailed labels and comments on diagrams. • That risks are things that might happen. • That hot glue creates a strong bond quickly. • That is often better to choose safer equipment. • That sustainability means thinking about the materials that were used to make a product and how the product was made. • That their final product can still be improved by different materials or techniques. • That evaluating their designs in detail will help them understand its successful and less successful parts. • That feedback should be positive, helpful and specific. • That explaining how they used feedback to improve their design can help them create better products in the future.

Electrical systems (KS2 only)

		Year 4	Year 6
		Torches	Steady hand game
Skills	Design	• Designing a torch, giving consideration to the target audience and creating both design and success criteria focusing on features of individual design ideas.	• Designing a steady hand game identifying and naming the components required. • Drawing a design from three different perspectives. • Generating ideas through sketching and discussion. • Modelling ideas through prototypes. • Understanding the purpose of products (toys), including what is meant by 'fit for purpose' and 'form over function'.
	Make	• Making a torch with a working electrical circuit and switch. • Using appropriate equipment to cut and attach materials. • Assembling a torch according to the design and success criteria.	• Constructing a stable base for a game. • Accurately cutting, folding and assembling a net. • Decorating the base of the game to a high quality finish. • Making and testing a circuit. • Incorporating a circuit into a base.
	Evaluate	• Evaluating electrical products. • Testing and evaluating the success of a final product.	• Testing own and others finished games, identifying what went well and making suggestions for improvement. • Gathering images and information about existing children's toys. • Analysing a selection of existing children's toys.
Knowledge	Technical	• To understand that electrical conductors are materials which electricity can pass through. • To understand that electrical insulators are materials which electricity cannot pass through. • To know that a battery contains stored electricity that can be used to power products. • To know that an electrical circuit must be complete for electricity to flow. • To know that a switch can be used to complete and break an electrical circuit.	• To know that batteries contain acid, which can be dangerous if they leak. • To know the names of the components in a basic series circuit, including a buzzer.
	Additional	• To know the features of a torch: case, contacts, batteries, switch, reflector, lamp, lens. • To know facts from the history and invention of the electric light bulb(s) - by Sir Joseph Swan and Thomas Edison.	•To know that 'form' means the shape and appearance of an object. •To know the difference between 'form' and 'function'. •To understand that 'fit for purpose' means that a product works how it should and is easy to use. • To know that form over purpose means that a product looks good but does not work very well. • To know the importance of 'form follows function' when designing: the product must be designed primarily with the function in mind. • To understand the diagram perspectives 'top view', 'side view' and 'back'.

Cooking and Nutrition:

		EYFS (Reception)	Year 1	Year 2
		Soup	Smoothies	Balanced diet
Skills	Design	• Designing a soup recipe as a class. • Designing soup packaging.	• Designing smoothie carton packaging by-hand. • Learning where and how fruits and vegetables grow.	• Designing three wrap ideas.
	Make	• Chopping plasticine safely. • Chopping vegetables with support.	• Chopping fruit and vegetables safely to make a smoothie. • Juicing fruits safely to make a smoothie. • Identifying if a food is a fruit.	• Chopping foods safely to make a wrap. • Constructing a wrap that meets a design brief. • Grating foods to make a wrap. • Snipping smaller foods instead of cutting. • Spreading soft foods to make a wrap. • Identifying the five food groups. • Learning about balanced diet.
	Evaluate	• Tasting the soup and giving opinions. • Describing some of the following when tasting food: look, feel, smell and taste. • Choosing their favourite packaging design and explaining why.	• Tasting and evaluating different food combinations. • Describing appearance, smell and taste. • Suggesting information to be included on packaging. • Comparing their own smoothie with someone else's.	• Describing appearance, smell and taste. • Taste and evaluating different food combinations. • Describing the information that should be included on a label.
Knowledge		• To know that soup is ingredients (usually vegetables and liquid) blended together. • To know that vegetables are grown. • To recognise and name some common vegetables. • To know that different vegetables taste different. • To know that eating vegetables is good for us. • To discuss why different packages might be used for different foods.	• To know that a blender is a machine which mixes ingredients together into a smooth liquid. • To know that a fruit has seeds and a vegetable does not. • To know that fruits grow on trees or vines. • To know that vegetables can grow either above or below ground. • To know that vegetables is any edible part of a plant.	• To know that 'diet' means the food and drink that a person or animal usually eats. • To know what makes a balanced diet. • To know that the five main food groups are: Carbohydrates, fruits and vegetables, protein, dairy and foods high in fat and sugar. • To know that I should eat a range of different foods from each food group, and roughly how much of each food group. • To know that 'ingredients' means the items in a mixture or recipe. • To know how to cut, grate, snip and spread to prepare foods. • To know how to review and give a score to evaluate.

Year 4

Adapting a recipe

Skills	Design	• Designing a biscuit within a given budget. • Conducting market research.
	Make	• Following a baking recipe. • Understanding safety and hygiene rules. • Adapting a recipe.
	Evaluate	• Evaluating an adapted recipe. • Evaluating and comparing a range of products. • Suggesting modifications.
Knowledge		• To know that the amount of an ingredient in a recipe is known as the 'quantity.' • To know that safety and hygiene are important when cooking. • To know the following cooking techniques: sieving, measuring, stirring, cutting out and shaping. •To know the importance of budgeting while planning ingredients for a recipe. • To know that products often have a target audience.

		Year 5	Year 6
		Developing a recipe	Come dine with me
Skills	Design	• Researching existing recipes. • Suggesting alternative ingredients. • Designing a jar label.	• Writing a recipe, explaining the key steps, method and ingredients. • Including facts and drawings from research undertaken.
	Make	• Writing an alternative recipe. • Understanding cross-contamination. • Using preparation skills. • Making a developed recipe.	• Following a recipe, including using the correct quantities of each ingredient. • Adapting a recipe based on research. • Working to a given timescale. • Working safely and hygienically with independence.
	Evaluate	• Explaining the farm to fork process. • Analysing nutritional content.	• Evaluating a recipe, considering: taste, smell, texture and origin of the food group. • Taste testing and scoring final products. • Suggesting and writing up points of improvements in productions. • Evaluating health and safety in production to minimise cross contamination.
Knowledge		• To know that beef comes from cows reared on farms. • To know that recipes can be adapted to suit nutritional needs and dietary requirements. • To know that nutritional information is found on food packaging. • To know that coloured chopping boards can prevent cross-contamination. • To know that food packaging serves many purposes.	• To know that 'flavour' is how a food or drink tastes. • To know that many countries have 'national dishes' which are recipes associated with that country. • To know that 'processed food' means food that has been put through multiple changes in a factory. • To understand that it is important to wash fruit and vegetables before eating to remove any dirt and insecticides. • To understand what happens to a certain food before it appears on the supermarket shelf (Farm to Fork).

Textiles

		EYFS: Reception	Year 1
		Bookmarks	Puppets
Skills	Design	• Discussing what a good design needs. • Designing a simple pattern with paper. • Designing a bookmark. • Choosing from available materials.	• Using a template to create a design for a puppet.
	Make	• Developing fine motor/cutting skills with scissors. • Exploring fine motor/threading and weaving (under, over technique) with a variety of materials. • Using a prepared needle and wool to practise threading.	• Cutting fabric neatly with scissors. • Using joining methods to decorate a puppet. • Sequencing steps for construction.
	Evaluate	• Reflecting on a finished product and comparing to their design.	• Reflecting on a finished product, explaining likes and dislikes.
Knowledge		• To know that a design is a way of planning our idea before we start. • To know that threading is putting one material through an object.	• To know that 'joining technique' means connecting two pieces of material together. • To know that there are various temporary methods of joining fabric by using staples. glue or pins. • To understand that different techniques for joining materials can be used for different purposes. • To understand that a template (or fabric pattern) is used to cut out the same shape multiple times. • To know that drawing a design idea is useful to see how an idea will look.

		Year 3
		Cross-stitch and appliqué **Cushions or Egyptian collars**
Skills	Design	• Designing and making a template from an existing cushion and applying individual design criteria.
	Make	• Following design criteria to create a cushion or Egyptian collar. • Selecting and cutting fabrics with ease using fabric scissors. • Threading needles with greater independence. • Tying knots with greater independence. • Sewing cross stitch to join fabric. • Decorating fabric using appliqué. • Completing design ideas with stuffing and sewing the edges (Cushions) ***or*** embellishing the collars based on design ideas (Egyptian collars).
	Evaluate	• Evaluating an end product and thinking of other ways in which to create similar items.
Knowledge		•To know that applique is a way of mending or decorating a textile by applying smaller pieces of fabric to larger pieces. •To know that when two edges of fabric have been joined together it is called a seam. •To know that it is important to leave space on the fabric for the seam. •To understand that some products are turned inside out after sewing so the stitching is hidden.

		Year 5
		Stuffed toys
Skills	Design	• Designing a stuffed toy, considering the main component shapes required and creating an appropriate template. • Considering the proportions of individual components.
	Make	• Creating a 3D stuffed toy from a 2D design. • Measuring, marking and cutting fabric accurately and independently . • Creating strong and secure blanket stitches when joining fabric. • Threading needles independently. • Using appliqué to attach pieces of fabric decoration. • Sewing blanket stitch to join fabric. • Applying blanket stitch so the spaces between the stitches are even and regular.
	Evaluate	• Testing and evaluating an end product and giving point for further improvements.
Knowledge		• To know that blanket stitch is useful to reinforce the edges of a fabric material or join two pieces of fabric. • To understand that it is easier to finish simpler designs to a high standard. • To know that soft toys are often made by creating appendages separately and then attaching them to the main body. • To know that small, neat stitches which are pulled taut are important to ensure that the soft toy is strong and holds the stuffing securely.

How is the Design and technology scheme of work organised?

