Design Technology Skills Progression –Key Stage 2



Key	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	End of KS	
Skills					Expectations	
Design	*begin to research others' needs * show design meets a range of requirements * describe purpose of product * follow a given design criteria * have at least one idea about how to create product * create a plan which shows order, equipment and tools *describe design using an accurately labelled sketch and words * make design decisions *explain how product will work * make a prototype * begin to use computers to show design	* use research for design ideas * show design meets a range of requirements and is fit for purpose *begin to create own design criteria *have at least one idea about how to create product and suggest improvements for design. * produce a plan and explain it to others *say how realistic plan is. *include an annotated sketch *make and explain design decisions considering availability of resources *explain how product will work * make a prototype *begin to use computers to show design.	*use internet and questionnaires for research and design ideas *take a user's view into account when designing * begin to consider needs/wants of individuals/groups when designing and ensure product is fit for purpose *create own design criteria * have a range of ideas *produce a logical, realistic plan and explain it to others. *use cross-sectional planning and annotated sketches * make design decisions considering time and resources. *clearly explain how parts of product will work. *model and refine design ideas by making prototypes and using pattern pieces. *use computer-aided designs	* draw on market research to inform design * use research of user's individual needs, wants, requirements for design * identify features of design that will appeal to the intended user * create own design criteria and specification * come up with innovative design ideas *follow and refine a logical plan. *use annotated sketches, cross-sectional planning and exploded diagrams * make design decisions, considering, resources and cost * clearly explain how parts of design will work, and how they are fit for purpose * independently model and refine design ideas by making prototypes and using pattern pieces * use computer-aided designs	*Use research and develop design criteria to inform the design of innovative, 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	

- *select suitable tools/equipment, explain choices; begin to use them accurately
- * select appropriate materials, fit for purpose.
- * work through plan in order *consider how good product will be
- * begin to measure, mark out, cut and shape materials/components with some accuracy
- * begin to assemble, join and combine materials and components with some accuracy
- * begin to apply a range of finishing techniques with some accuracy

- * select suitable tools and equipment, explain choices in relation to required techniques and use accurately
- *select appropriate materials, fit for purpose; explain choices
- * work through plan in order.
- * realise if product is going to be good quality
- * measure, mark out, cut and shape materials/components with some accuracy
- *assemble, join and combine materials and components with some accuracy
- *apply a range of finishing techniques with some accuracy

- * use selected tools/equipment with good level of precision
- * produce suitable lists of tools, equipment/materials needed
- *select appropriate materials, fit for purpose; explain choices, considering functionality
- * create and follow detailed step-by-step plan
- * explain how product will appeal to an audience * mainly accurately
- measure, mark out, cut and shape
- materials/components
 *mainly accurately
 assemble, join and combine
 materials/components
- * mainly accurately apply a range of finishing techniques
- * use techniques that involve a small number of steps
- * begin to be resourceful with practical problems

- * use selected tools and equipment precisely *produce suitable lists of tools, equipment, materials needed, considering constraints
- * select appropriate
 materials, fit for purpose;
 explain choices, considering
 functionality and aesthetics
 * create, follow, and adapt
 detailed step-by-step plans
 *explain how product will
 appeal to audience; make
 changes to improve quality
 * accurately measure, mark
 out, cut and shape
 materials/components
- * accurately assemble, join and combine materials/components * accurately apply a range of finishing techniques
- * use techniques that involve a number of steps
- * be resourceful with practical problems

- *Select from and use a wider range of tools and equipment to perform practical tasks [for example, cutting, shaping, joining and finishing], accurately
- *Select from and use a wider range of materials and components, including construction materials, textiles and ingredients, according to their functional properties and aesthetic qualities

- * look at design criteria while designing and making *use design criteria to evaluate finished product * say what I would change to make design better *begin to evaluate existing products, considering: how well they have been made, materials, whether they work, how they have been made, fit for purpose * begin to understand by whom, when and where products were designed
- * learn about some inventors/designers/ engineers/chefs/ manufacturers of groundbreaking products

- *refer to design criteria while designing and making *use criteria to evaluate product
- * begin to explain how I could improve original design
- *evaluate existing products, considering: how well they've been made, materials, whether they work, how they have been made, fit for purpose
- * discuss by whom, when and where products were designed
- * research whether products can be recycled or reused
- * know about some inventors/designers/ engineers/chefs/manufactur ers of ground-breaking products

- *evaluate quality of design while designing and making *evaluate ideas and finished product against specification, considering purpose and appearance. *test and evaluate final product
- * evaluate and discuss
 existing products,
 considering: how well
 they've been made,
 materials, whether they
 work, how they have been
 made, fit for purpose
 * begin to evaluate how
 much products cost to make
 and how innovative they are
- *research how sustainable materials are
- *talk about some key inventors/designers/ engineers/ chefs/manufacturers of ground-breaking products

- *evaluate quality of design while designing and making; is it fit for purpose?
- * keep checking design is best it can be.
- *evaluate ideas and finished product against specification, stating if it's fit for purpose
- *test and evaluate final product; explain what would improve it and the effect different resources may have had
- *do thorough evaluations of existing products considering: how well they've been made, materials, whether they work, how they've been made, fit for purpose *evaluate how much products cost to make and how innovative they are
- *research and discuss how sustainable materials are
- *consider the impact of products beyond their intended purpose
- *discuss some key inventors/designers/ engineers/ chefs/manufacturers of ground-breaking products

- *Investigate and analyse a range of existing products.
- *Evaluate their ideas and products against their own design criteria and consider the views of others to improve their work.
- *Understand how key events and individuals in design and technology have helped shape the world

Technical knowledge - food & nutrition	use appropriate materials *work accurately to make cuts and holes * join materials *begin to make strong structures	* *measure carefully to avoid mistakes *attempt to make product strong *continue working on product even if original didn't work *make a strong, stiff structure	*select materials carefully, considering intended use of product and appearance *explain how product meets design criteria *measure accurately enough to ensure precision *ensure product is strong and fit for purpose *begin to reinforce and strengthen a 3D frame	*select materials carefully, considering intended use of the product, the aesthetics and functionality. *explain how product meets design criteria * reinforce and strengthen a 3D frame	*Apply their understanding of how to strengthen, stiffen and reinforce more complex structures
Technical Knowledge – Material structures	*select appropriate tools / techniques *alter product after checking, to make it better *begin to try new/different ideas *use simple lever and linkages to create movement	*select most appropriate tools / techniques *explain alterations to product after checking it *grow in confidence about trying new / different ideas. *use levers and linkages to create movement *use pneumatics to create movement	*refine product after testing *grow in confidence about trying new / different ideas *begin to use cams, pulleys or gears to create movement	*refine product after testing, considering aesthetics, functionality and purpose *incorporate hydraulics and pneumatics *be confident to try new / different ideas *use cams, pulleys and gears to create movement	*Understand and use mechanical systems in their products [for example, gears, pulleys, cams, levers and linkages]
Technical knowledge - Mechanism	*join different textiles in different ways *choose textiles considering appearance and functionality *begin to understand that a simple fabric shape can be used to make a 3D textiles project	*think about user when choosing textiles *think about how to make product strong * begin to devise a template *explain how to join things in a different way *understand that a simple fabric shape can be used to make a 3D textiles project	*think about user and aesthetics when choosing textiles *use own template * think about how to make product strong and look better *think of a range of ways to join things *begin to understand that a single 3D textiles project can be made from a combination of fabric shapes.	*think about user's wants/needs and aesthetics when choosing textiles *make product attractive and strong *make a prototype *use a range of joining techniques *think about how product might be sold *think carefully about what would improve product *understand that a single 3D textiles project can be made from a combination of fabric shapes.	

Technical knowledge - Textiles	*carefully select ingredients *use equipment safely *make product look attractive *think about how to grow plants to use in cooking *begin to understand food comes from UK and wider world *describe how healthy diet= variety/balance of food/drinks *explain how food and drink are needed for active/healthy bodies. *prepare and cook some dishes safely and hygienically *grow in confidence using some of the following techniques: peeling, chopping, slicing, grating, mixing, spreading, kneading and baking	*explain how to be safe/hygienic *think about presenting product in interesting/ attractive ways *understand ingredients can be fresh, pre-cooked or processed *begin to understand about food being grown, reared or caught in the UK or wider world *describe eat well plate and how a healthy diet=variety / balance of food and drinks *explain importance of food and drink for active, healthy bodies *prepare and cook some dishes safely and hygienically *use some of the following techniques: peeling, chopping, slicing, grating, mixing, spreading, kneading and baking	*explain how to be safe / hygienic and follow own guidelines *present product well - interesting, attractive, fit for purpose *begin to understand seasonality of foods *understand food can be grown, reared or caught in the UK and the wider world *describe how recipes can be adapted to change appearance, taste, texture, aroma *explain how there are different substances in food / drink needed for health *prepare and cook some savoury dishes safely and hygienically including, where appropriate, use of heat source * use range of techniques such as peeling, chopping, slicing, grating, mixing, spreading, kneading and baking.	*understand a recipe can be adapted by adding / substituting ingredients *explain seasonality of foods *learn about food processing methods *name some types of food that are grown, reared or caught in the UK or wider world *adapt recipes to change appearance, taste, texture or aroma. *describe some of the different substances in food and drink, and how they can affect health *prepare and cook a variety of savoury dishes safely and hygienically including, where appropriate, the use of heat source. *use a range of techniques confidently such as peeling, chopping, slicing, grating, mixing, spreading, kneading and baking.	*Understand and apply the principles of a healthy and varied diet *Prepare and cook a variety of predominantly savoury dishes using a range of cooking techniques *Understand seasonality, and know where and how a variety of ingredients are grown, reared, caught and processed.
Technical knowledge	*use simple circuit in product *learn about how to program a computer to control product.	*use number of components in circuit *program a computer to control product	*incorporate switch into product *confidently use number of components in circuit *begin to be able to program a computer to monitor changes in environment and control product	*use different types of circuit in product * think of ways in which adding a circuit would improve product * program a computer to monitor changes in environment and control product	*Understand and use electrical systems in their products [for example, series circuits