Design Technology Skills Progression – EYFS & Key Stage 1



	EYFS Implementation	Year 1 Implementation	Year 2 Implementation	Impact
Design	*Select appropriate resources *Use gestures, talking and arrangements of materials and components to show design * Use contexts set by the teacher and myself *Use language of designing and making (join, build, shape, longer, shorter, heavier etc.)	 * have own ideas * explain what I want to do * explain what my product is for, and how it will work * use pictures and words to plan, begin to use models * design a product for myself following design criteria * research similar existing products 	 * have own ideas and plan what to do next * explain what I want to do and describe how I may do it * explain purpose of product, how it will work and how it will be suitable for the user * describe design using pictures, words, models, diagrams, begin to use ICT * design products for myself and others following design criteria * choose best tools and materials, and explain choices * use knowledge of existing products to produce ideas 	Design purposeful, functional, appealing products for themselves and other users based on design criteria *Generate, develop, model and communicate their ideas through talking, drawing, templates, mock- ups and, where appropriate*, information and communication technology
Evaluate	*Adapt work if necessary *Dismantle, examine, talk about existing objects/structures *Consider and manage some risks *Practise some appropriate safety measures independently *Talk about how things work *Look at similarities and differences between existing objects / materials / tools *Show an interest in technological toys *Describe textures	*talk about my work, linking it to what I was asked to do * talk about existing products considering: use, materials, how they work, audience, where they might be used *talk about existing products, and say what is and isn't good * talk about things that other people have made *begin to talk about what could make product better	 * describe what went well, thinking about design criteria * talk about existing products considering: use, materials, how they work, audience, where they might be used; express personal opinion * evaluate how good existing products are * talk about what I would do differently if I were to do it again and why 	*Explore and evaluate a range of existing products *Evaluate their ideas and products against design criteria

	*Construct with a purpose, using a variety of resources *Use simple tools and techniques *Build / construct with a wide range of objects *Select tools & techniques to shape, assemble and join *Replicate structures with materials / components *Discuss how to make an activity safe and hygienic	*explain what I'm making and why *consider what I need to do next *select tools/equipment to cut, shape, join, finish and explain choices *measure, mark out, cut and shape, with support *choose suitable materials and explain choices *try to use finishing techniques to make product look good *work in a safe and hygienic manner	*explain what I am making and why it fits the purpose *make suggestions as to what I need to do next. *join materials/components together in different ways *measure, mark out, cut and shape materials and components, with support. *describe which tools I'm using and why	*Select from and use a range of tools and equipment to perform practical tasks [for example, cutting, shaping, joining and finishing] *Select from and use a wide range of materials and components, including construction materials, textiles and
Make	*Record experiences by drawing, writing, voice recording *Understand different media can be combined for a purpose		*choose suitable materials and explain choices depending on characteristics. *use finishing techniques to make product look good *work safely and hygienically	ingredients, according to their characteristics
Technical knowledge – food & nutrition	*Begin to understand some food preparation tools, techniques and processes *Practise stirring, mixing, pouring, blending *Discuss how to make an activity safe and hygienic *Discuss use of senses *Understand need for variety in food *Begin to understand that eating well contributes to good health	*describe textures *wash hands & clean surfaces *think of interesting ways to decorate food *say where some foods come from, (i.e. plant or animal) *describe differences between some food groups (i.e. sweet, vegetable etc.) *discuss how fruit and vegetables are healthy *cut, peel and grate safely, with support	*explain hygiene and keep a hygienic kitchen *describe properties of ingredients and importance of varied diet *say where food comes from (animal, underground etc.) *describe how food is farmed, home- grown, caught *draw eat well plate; explain there are groups of food *describe "five a day" *cut, peel and grate with increasing confidence	*Use the basic principles of a healthy and varied diet to prepare dishes *Understand where food comes from.
Technical Knowledge – Material		*begin to measure and join materials, with some support *describe differences in materials *suggest ways to make material/product stronger	*measure materials *describe some different characteristics of materials *join materials in different ways *use joining, rolling or folding to make it stronger *use own ideas to try to make product stronger	*Build structures, exploring how they can be made stronger, stiffer and more stable

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Technical knowledge - Textiles	*measure, cut and join textiles to make a product, with some support *choose suitable textiles	*measure textiles *join textiles together to make a product, and explain how I did it *carefully cut textiles to produce accurate pieces *explain choices of textile *understand that a 3D textile structure can be made from two identical fabric shapes.	