St John's Church of England Primary School – Skills Progression – Design Technology Nurturing Potential within a Christian Ethos



DESIGN TECHNOLOGY IN THE EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION STAGE

Physical Development

Progress towards a more fluent style of moving with developing control.

Develop their small motor skills so that they can use a range of tools competently, safely and confidently.

Use their core muscle strength to achieve a good posture when sitting at a table or sitting on the floor.

Expressive arts and Design

Explore, use and refine a variety of artistic effects to express their ideas and feelings.

Return to and build on their previous learning, refining ideas and developing their ability to represent them.

Create collaboratively, sharing ideas, resources and skills.

Early Learning Goals:

Physical Development (Fine motor skills)

Use a range of small tools, including scissors, paintbrushes and cutlery.

Expressive arts and Design (Creating with materials)

Safely use and explore a variety of materials, tools and techniques, experimenting with colour, design, texture, form and function.

Share their creations, explaining the process they have used.

DESIGNING								
	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6		
Understanding	work confidently	state what products	work confidently	indicate the design	work confidently	carry out research,		
contexts, users	within a range of	they are designing and	within a range of	features of their	within a range of	using surveys,		
and purposes	contexts, such as	making	contexts, such as the	products that will	contexts, such as the	interviews,		
	imaginary, story-		home, school, leisure,	appeal to intended	home, school, leisure,	questionnaires and		
	based, home, school,	say whether their	culture, enterprise,	users	culture, enterprise,	web-based resources		
	gardens, playgrounds,	products are for	industry		industry	identify the needs,		
	local community,	themselves or other		gather information		wants, preferences		
	industry	users	describe the purpose	about the needs and	indicate the design	and values of		
			of their products	wants of particular	features of their	particular individuals		
	describe what their	say how they will	indicate the design	individuals and groups	products that will	and groups		
	products are for	make their products			appeal to intended			
	say how their	suitable for their	explain how particular	develop their own	users	develop a simple		
	products will work	intended users	parts of their products work	design criteria and use		design specification		

	use simple design criteria to help develop their ideas			these to inform their ideas	explain how particular parts of their products work	to guide their thinking
Generating, developing, modelling and communicating ideas	generate ideas by drawing on their own experiences develop and communicate ideas by talking and drawing	use knowledge of existing products to help come up with ideas model ideas by exploring materials, components and construction kits and by making templates and mock- ups use information and communication technology, where appropriate, to develop and communicate their ideas	share and clarify ideas through discussion use annotated sketches, cross-sectional drawings and exploded diagrams to develop and communicate their ideas use computer-aided design, where appropriate, to develop and communicate their ideas	model their ideas using prototypes and pattern pieces generate realistic ideas, focusing on the needs of the user make design decisions that take account of the availability of resources	share and clarify ideas through discussion generate innovative ideas, drawing on research make design decisions, taking account of constraints such as time, resources and cost	model their ideas using prototypes and pattern pieces use annotated sketches, cross- sectional drawings and exploded diagrams to develop and communicate their ideas use computer-aided design to develop and communicate their ideas
			PLANNING & MAKIN	IG		
	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Planning	plan by suggesting what to do next select from a range of tools and equipment, explaining their choices	select from a range of materials and components according to their characteristics begin to order the stages of making	order the main stages of making select tools and equipment suitable for the task select materials and components suitable	explain their choice of tools and equipment in relation to the skills and techniques they will be using explain their choice of materials and components according	produce appropriate lists of tools, equipment and materials that they need formulate step-bystep plans as a guide to making	explain their choice of tools and equipment in relation to the skills and techniques they will be using explain their choice of materials and components
			for the task	to functional properties and aesthetic qualities		according to functional properties

					select tools and	and aesthetic
					equipment suitable	qualities
					for the task	
					select materials and	
					components suitable	
					for the task	
Practical skills	follow procedures for	measure, mark out,	measure, mark out,	measure, mark out,	accurately measure,	demonstrate
and	safety and hygiene	cut and shape	cut and shape	cut and shape	mark out, cut and	resourcefulness when
techniques	use a range of	materials and	materials and	materials and	shape materials and	tackling practical
	materials and	components	components with	components with	components	problems
	components, including		some accuracy	increasing accuracy	accurately assemble,	accurately apply a
	construction materials	assemble, join and			join and combine	range of finishing
	and kits, textiles, food	combine materials and	assemble, join and	assemble, join and	materials and	techniques, including
	ingredients and	components	combine materials and	combine materials and	components	those from art and
	mechanical		components with	components with		design
	components.		some accuracy	accuracy	use techniques that	
					involve a number of	
	use finishing		apply a range of	apply a range of	steps	
	techniques, including		finishing techniques,	finishing techniques,		
	those from art and		including those from	including those from		
	design		art and design, with	art and design, with		
			some accuracy	accuracy		
	V 4 0 2		EVALUA	ATING	V E O C	
0	Year 1 & 2		Year 3 & 4		Year 5 & 6	
Own ideas	talk about their design	suggest how their	identify the strengths	consider the views of	identify the strengths	consider the views of
and	ideas and what they	products could be	and areas for	others, including	and areas for	others, including
products	are making	improved	development in their	intended users, to	development in their	intended users, to
	make simple		ideas and products	improve their work	ideas and products	improve their work
				the six desires	critically evaluate the	
	judgements about		refer to their design	use their design criteria to evaluate	quality of the design, manufacture and	
	their products and		criteria as they design and make			
	ideas against design		and make	their completed	fitness for purpose of	
	criteria			products	their products as they design and make	
					evaluate their ideas	
					and products against	
					their original design	
					specification	
					specification	

Existing	Across KS1 pupils	Across KS1 pupils	Pupils should	Pupils should	Pupils should	how well products
products	should explore:	should explore:	investigate and	investigate and	investigate and	meet user needs and
	·	·	analyse:	analyse:	analyse:	wants
	what products are	How products are	,	,	how well products	In late KS2 pupils
	who products are for	used	how well products	how well products	have been designed	should also
	what materials	where products might	have been designed	meet user needs and	how well products	investigate and
	products are made	be used		wants	have been made	analyse:
	from	what they like and	how well products		why materials have	how much products
		dislike about products	have been made	what methods of	been chosen	cost to make
		what products are for		construction have	what methods of	how innovative
		how products work	how well products	been used	construction have	products are
			work		been used	how sustainable the
				why materials have	how well products	materials in products
			how well products	been chosen	work	are
			achieve their purposes		how well products	what impact products
					achieve their	have beyond their
					purposes	intended purpose
			TECHNICAL I	NOWLEDGE		
	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Making	about the simple	about the movement	how to use learning	how to use learning	that materials have	how more complex
products	working	of simple mechanisms	from science and	from science and	both functional	electrical circuits and
work	characteristics of	such as levers, sliders,	maths to help design	maths to help design	properties and	components can be
	materials and	wheels and axles	and make products	and make products	aesthetic qualities	used to create
	components		that work	that work		functional products
		that a 3-D textiles			that materials can be	
	how freestanding	product can be	that materials have	that materials can be	combined and mixed	how to program a
	structures can be	assembled from two	both functional	combined and mixed	to create more useful	computer to monitor
	made stronger, stiffer	identical fabric shapes	properties and	to create more useful	characteristics	changes in the
	and more stable		aesthetic qualities	characteristics		environment and
		use the correct			that a 3D textiles	control their products
	use the correct	technical vocabulary	that mechanical and	how mechanical	product can be made	
	technical vocabulary	for the projects they	electrical systems	systems such as levers	from a combination of	how to reinforce and
	for the projects they	are undertaking	have an input, process	and linkages or	fabric shapes	strengthen a 3D
	are undertaking		and output	pneumatic systems		framework
				create movement		
			how to make strong,			
			stiff shell structures	how simple electrical		
				circuits and		

that a single fabric	components can be	
shape can be used	to used to create	
make a 3D textiles	functional products	
product		

	Cooking and Nutrition					
	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5 & 6	
Food preparation, cooking and nutrition	 how to name and sort foods into the five groups that everyone should eat at least five portions of fruit and vegetables every day how to prepare simple dishes 	 how to name and sort foods into the five groups that everyone should eat at least five portions of fruit and vegetables every day how to prepare simple dishes 	 how to prepare and cook a variety of predominantly savoury dishes safely and hygienically how to use a range of techniques such as peeling, chopping, slicing, 	how to prepare and cook a variety of predominantly savoury dishes safely and hygienically including, where appropriate, the use of a heat source	how to prepare and cook a variety of predominantly savoury dishes safely and hygienically including, where appropriate, the use of a heat source	how to prepare and cook a variety of predominantly savoury dishes safely and hygienically including, where appropriate, the use of a heat source

safely and hygienically, without using a heat source how to use techniques such as cutting, peeling and grating with support	safely and hygienically, without using a heat source • how to use techniques such as cutting, peeling and grating independently	grating, mixing, spreading, kneading and baking that a healthy diet is made up from a variety and balance of different food and drink, as depicted in the Eatwell Guide that to be active and healthy, food and drink are needed to provide energy for the body	 how to use a range of techniques such as peeling, chopping, slicing, grating, mixing, spreading, kneading and baking with increasing independence that to be active and healthy, food and drink are needed to provide energy for the body that food contains different substances for our health 	 how to use a range of techniques such as peeling, chopping, slicing, grating, mixing, spreading, kneading and baking that recipes can be adapted to change the appearance, taste, texture and aroma that different food and drink contain different substances – nutrients, water and fibre – that are needed for health 	 how to use a range of techniques such as peeling, chopping, slicing, grating, mixing, spreading, kneading and baking adapt recipes to change the appearance, taste, texture and aroma that different food and drink contain different substances – nutrients, water and fibre – that are needed for health
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GREATER DEPTH IN DESIGN TECHNOLOGY

At St John's a greater depth designer will display the following skills and attributes:

- Work completely independently.
- Demonstrate a creative response to the problem
- Stick tightly to the brief and consider the end user's needs and preferences throughout the process.
- Think critically about and comment on other products and their own product
- Amend their product to improve its outcome.
- Display high quality presentation and precision throughout the process of design and make