Whole School Design Technology Skills Progression

The national curriculum for design and technology aims to ensure that all pupils:

- develop the creative, technical and practical expertise needed to perform everyday tasks confidently and to participate successfully in an increasingly technological world
- build and apply a repertoire of knowledge, understanding and skills in order to design and make high-quality prototypes and products for a wide range of users

• critique, evaluate and test their ideas and products and the work of others

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| Design | Have own ideas and explain what I want to do Select appropriate resources (such as taught skills - spring, lever, split pins) 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 and explain what I want to do, evaluate and refine Explain what my product is for, and how it will work Use pictures and words to plan Design a product for myself following design criteria | Have own ideas and plan what to do next Select suitable materials 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 Design products for myself and others following design criteria 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 |

| Make | Construct with a purpose, using a variety of resources Use simple tools and techniques | Explain what I'm making and why Consider what I need to do next | Explain what I am making and why it fits the purpose Make suggestions as to what I need to do next. | Select from and use a range of tools and equipment to perform practical tasks [for example, cutting, shaping, joining and finishing] |
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| | Build / construct with a wide range of objects Select tools & techniques to shape, assemble and join Replicate structures with materials / components Record experiences by drawing, writing, voice recording Understand different media can be combined for a purpose | 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 | Join materials and components together in different ways Measure, mark out, cut and shape materials and components, with support. Describe which tools I'm using and why Choose suitable materials and explain choices depending on characteristics. Use finishing techniques to make product look good | Select from and use a wide range of materials and components, including construction materials, textiles and ingredients, according to their characteristics |
| | Adapt work if necessary | Talk about my work, linking it to what I was asked to do | Describe what went well, thinking about design criteria | Explore and evaluate a range of existing products |
| Evaluate | Dismantle, examine, talk about existing objects/structures Consider and manage some risks Practise some appropriate safety measures independently Talk about how things work | 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 | 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 | Evaluate their ideas and products against design criteria |

| | Look at similarities and differences between existing objects / materials / tools | | Talk about what I would do differently if I were to do it again and why | |
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| Technical Knowledge | Begin to use levers or slides Cut materials safely using tools provided. Begin to join materials, with support | Begin to measure and join materials, with some support Describe differences in materials Suggest ways to make material/product stronger Measure, cut and join textiles to make a product, with some support Choose suitable textiles | Measure materials Describe some different characteristics of materials Join materials in different ways Use own ideas to try to make product stronger Begin to understand how to use wheels and axles Join textiles together to make a product, and explain how I did it Carefully cut textiles to produce accurate pieces | Build structures, exploring how they can be made stronger, stiffer and more stable Explore and use mechanisms [for example, levers, sliders, wheels and axles], in their products. |