DT - Knowledge and Skills Progression Grid

		KS1 – Y1/2	Lower KS2 – Y3/4	Upper KS2 – Y5/6
Designing	Understanding context, users and purposes	Work confidently within a range of contexts such as imaginary, story-based, home, school, gardens, playgrounds,	Work confidently within a range of contexts such as the home, school, leisure, culture, enterprise, industry and the wider environment.	Work confidently within a range of contexts such as the home, school, leisure, culture, enterprise, industry and the wider environment.
		local community, industry and the wider environment.	Describe the purpose of their products.	Describe the purpose of their products.
		State what products they are designing and making. Say whether their products are for	Indicate the design features of their products that will appeal to intended users.	Indicate the design features of their products that will appeal to intended users.
		themselves or other users. Describe what their products are for.	Explain how particular parts of their products work.	Explain how particular parts of their products work.
		Say how their products will work. Say how they will make their products	Gather information about the needs and wants of particular individuals or groups.	Carry out research using surveys, questionnaires, interviews and web- based resources.
		suitable for their intended users. Use simple design criteria to help develop their ideas	Develop their own design criteria and use these to inform their ideas.	Identify the needs, wants, preferences and values of particular individuals and groups.
				Develop a simple design specification to guide their thinking.
	Generating, developing, modelling and	Generate ideas by drawing on their own experiences.	Share and clarify ideas through discussion.	Share and clarify ideas through discussion.
	communicating ideas	Use knowledge of existing products to help come up with ideas.	Model their ideas through prototypes and pattern pieces.	Model their ideas through prototypes and pattern pieces.

		Develop and communicate ideas by talking and drawing. 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.	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. Generate realistic ideas focusing on the needs of the user. Make design decisions that take account of the availability of resources.	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. Generate innovative ideas drawing on research. Make design decisions taking account of constraints such as time, resources and cost.
Making	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.	 Select tools and equipment suitable for the task. Explain their choice of tools and equipment in relation to the skills and techniques they will be using. Select materials and components suitable for the task. Explain their choice of materials and components according to functional properties and aesthetic qualities. Order the main stages of making. 	Select tools and equipment suitable for the task. Explain their choice of tools and equipment in relation to the skills and techniques they will be using. Select materials and components suitable for the task. Explain their choice of materials and components according to functional properties and aesthetic qualities. Produce appropriate lists of tools, equipment and materials they may need. Formulate step-by-step plans as a guide to making.
	Practical skills	Follow procedures for safety and	Follow procedures for safety and	Follow procedures for safety and
	and techniques	hygiene.	hygiene.	hygiene.

		Use a range of materials and components, including construction materials and kits, textiles, food ingredients and mechanical components. Measure, mark out, cut and shape materials and components.	Use a wider range of materials and components than KS1, including construction materials and kits, textiles, food ingredients, mechanical components and electrical components. Measure, mark out, cut and shape materials and components with some	Use a wider range of materials and components than KS1, including construction materials and kits, textiles, food ingredients, mechanical components and electrical components. Accurately, measure, mark out, cut and shape materials and components.
		Assemble, join, and combine materials and components.	accuracy. Assemble, join, and combine materials	Accurately assemble, join, and combine materials and components.
		Use finishing techniques, including those from art and design.	and components with some accuracy. Apply a range of finishing techniques, including those from art and design with some accuracy.	Accurately apply a range of finishing techniques, including those from art and design.
				Use techniques that involve a number of steps.
				Demonstrate resourcefulness when tackling practical problems.
Evaluating	Own ideas and products	Talk about their design ideas and what they are making.	Identify the strengths and areas for development in their ideas and products.	Identify the strengths and areas for development in their ideas and products.
		Make simple judgements about their products and ideas against design criteria.	Consider the views of others, including intended users to improve their work.	Consider the views of others, including intended users to improve their work.
		Suggest how their products could be improved.	Refer to their design criteria as they design and make. Use their design criteria to evaluate their	Critically evaluate the quality of the design. manufacture and fitness for purpose of their products as they design and make.
			completed products.	

				Evaluate their ideas and products against their original design specification.
	Existing products	Explore: what products are, what products are for, how products work, how products are used, where products might be used, what materials products are made from, what they like and dislike about products	Investigate and analyse: -how well products have been designed - how well products have been made - why materials have been chosen - what methods of construction have been used - how well products work - how well products achieve their purposes - how well products meet user needs and wants - who designed and made the products - where products were designed and made - when products were designed and made - whether products can be recycled or reused	Investigate and analyse: -how well products have been designed - how well products have been made - why materials have been chosen - what methods of construction have been used - how well products work - how well products achieve their purposes - how well products meet user needs and wants - how much products cost to make - how innovative products are - how sustainable the materials in products are - what impact products have beyond their intended purpose
	Key events and individuals	N/A	Know about inventors, designers, engineers, chefs and manufacturers who have developed ground-breaking products.	Know about inventors, designers, engineers, chefs and manufacturers who have developed ground-breaking products.
Technical knowledge	Making products work	Know about the simple working characteristics of materials and components.	Know how to use learning from science to help design and make products that work.	Know how to use learning from science to help design and make products that work.
		Know about the movement of simple mechanisms such as levers, sliders, wheels and axles.	Know how to use learning from mathematics to help design and make products that work.	Know how to use learning from mathematics to help design and make products that work.

Know how freestanding structures can	Know that materials have both	Know that materials have both functional
be made stronger, stiffer and more stable.	functional qualities and aesthetic qualities.	qualities and aesthetic qualities.
		Know that materials can be combined
Know that a 3D textiles product can be	Know that materials can be combined	and mixed to create more useful
assembled from two identical fabric shapes.	and mixed to create more useful properties.	properties.
		Know that mechanical and electrical
Know the correct technical vocabulary	Know that mechanical and electrical	systems have an input, process and
for the projects they are undertaking.	systems have an input, process and output.	output.
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	Know the correct technical vocabulary for the projects they are undertaking.	for the projects they are undertaking.
		Know how mechanical systems such as
	Know how mechanical systems such as	cams or pulleys and gears create
	levers and linkages or pneumatic systems create movement.	movement.
		Know how more complex electrical
	Know how simple electrical circuits and components can be used to create	circuits and components can be used to create functional products.
	functional products.	
		Know how to programme a computer to
	Know how to programme a computer to control their products.	monitor changes in the environment and control their products.
	Know how to make strong, stiff shell structures.	Know how to reinforce and strengthen a 3D framework.
	Know that a single fabric shape can be used to make a simple 3D textiles product.	Know that a 3D textiles product can be made from a combination of fabric shapes.
	Know that food ingredients can be fresh, pre-cooked and processed.	

		Know that a recipe can be adapted by adding or substituting one or more
		ingredients.