Curriculum Overview

Subject: DT and FPN

Year Group: 8



Skills are built upon and developed in Year 8. All projects develop a range of design and practical skills in all areas and build on prior knowledge from their primary and Year 7 education. All projects for Design Technology are based on the National Curriculum requirements to ensure students receive a balanced and broad curriculum within the subject area across Year 7 to 9.

Students complete three projects in DT: textiles wallet, metal key holder, electronic night light. This is two lessons over a fortnight. 1 lesson a fortnight is FPN.

TERM 1	TERM 2	TERM 3
KNOWLEDGE/SKILLS	KNOWLEDGE/SKILLS	KNOWLEDGE/SKILLS
Food Preparation and Nutrition: A wide range of food	Food Preparation and Nutrition: A wide range	Food Preparation and Nutrition: A wide range of food
practical skills: stewing, frying, boiling, rubbing in method, baking, carbohydrates, proteins, fats investigations and raising agents. Students will make beef stew, chilli con carne, cookies.	of food practical skills: Bread making (rolls), bacterial contamination, Jambalaya, food provenance and storage, macaroni cheese, religion and culture.	practical skills: pizza, food marketing and packaging, chocolate chilli cakes, food miles and sustainability, apple and cinnamon spiral buns.
Design Technology: Health and safety, textiles and their properties, origins and uses. Understanding the influences of designers. How to make a wallet from a pattern, using a sewing machine, planning, evaluation.	Design Technology: Health and safety, metals sources and their properties, designing and making templates, understanding and using tools and equipment for metal working. Joining metals, making a key holder, dip coating and evaluation.	Design Technology: Health and safety, electronic components, writing a specification, soldering, vacuum forming, understanding input process output, isometric drawing, making a PCB and night light, evaluation.
KEY ASSESSMENTS	KEY ASSESSMENTS	KEY ASSESSMENTS
Half term 1: Half term 2: Module specific DT Test	Half term 1: Food Preparation and Nutrition half of year test Half term 2: Module specific DT test	Half term 1: Half term 2: Food Preparation and Nutrition end of year test Module specific DT test

Extended reading suggestions and external resources:

www.technologystudent.com

Eatwell guidelines – government website BBC bitesize

Design and Technology Year 8 Assessment Criteria

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Design Technology	Bronze Bronze	Silver	Gold	Platinum (
Knowledge and Understanding	I can categorise a range of materials into natural timbers, manufactured timbers, paper and boards. I know the name of a range of workshop tools. I can identify two types of wood joints. I can identify two types of metal.	I know the primary sources of materials for producing natural timbers, manufactured timbers, paper, board and polymers. I know the name of a range of workshop tools and their uses. I can identify and explain the advantage of using a wood joint. I know the primary sources of materials for producing metals and alloys. I can recognise common faults in natural timber describe the processes of conversation and seasoning.	I am able to recognise and characterise different types of natural, manufactured timbers, paper, board and polymers. I can describe one school based workshop process including tools required. I can identify and explain the advantage of two wood joints. I know the difference between ferrous and non-ferrous metals. I understand how the physical properties of a range of natural and manufactured timbers affect their performance.	I understand how the physical and working properties of a range of timbers, polymers, paper and board products affect their performance. I can describe at least one school based workshop process including tools required in each material area. I can identify and explain the comparative advantages of different wood joints. I am able to recognise and characterise different types of metals and alloys.
Research	I can use images of existing products and other simple information beyond the classroom. My research shows a link to my brief and gives me some important technical information for my specification e.g. materials, sizes, components etc.	I can use ideas from other designers to help me in my work. I am able to explain how the images I have sourced could be used in my design. I can produce a minimum of one A4 page of analysis that is descriptive and draws helpful conclusions related to the design task.	I can show evidence of research from two sources independently e.g. internet, magazines, books, surveys etc. My research shows evidence of analysis of form and function of similar/familiar products (other designer's work) My research shows a thorough understanding of physical properties and working characteristics of materials. I can analyse my research with regard to aesthetic and economic issues and apply this analysis to my design work.	I can gather user opinions through a simple survey that will provide specific information to improve my design work. I can apply my understanding of form and function to my own design work. I can apply the conclusions from my research and analysis to show my ideas better fit the target market. I can write a design specification which identifies key aspects needed to develop design ideas.

Design Ideas	I can draw two/three ideas with basic labels which relate to the brief. I can use colour/texture to make my ideas look realistic. I can identify a good and bad point about my designs.	I can show a variety of different ideas that cater for different people's likes and tastes with some reference to my research. I can draw and render to make my designs look 3D. I can identify and write down good or bad points of a design. I can annotate my designs to identify a suitable material.	I draw inspiration for creativity from my existing product's research. I can produce an appropriate model to show some of my design ideas. My ideas show some technical understanding of materials, components etc. which is drawn from my research and analysis. I can use simple information	My ideas are clear, concise and imaginative and directly relate to the brief. I have trialled other products and taken ideas from them. I have considered the 'fit for purpose' of my ideas when deciding which idea(s) to take forward for development. My design work directly connects to my specification. My research and analysis
	I can use tools and equipment	I can use tools and equipment	found to add detail to my idea e.g. sample sizes, materials etc. I can explain what is meant by form and function in relation to my design ideas. I can work independently at times	includes specific work on form and function and is clearly evident in my design work. I can work mainly
Making	safely with supervision. I have a product which is mostly finish and uses one or more skills. I can produce a product which has some accuracy in parts.	correctly and safely. I can produce a product which has a basic level of making. I have produced a product which is mainly finished and uses two or more skills. I can identify one quality check for my practical work.	during my practical work. I can use tools correctly and safely. I have produced a product which has a good level of demand in some parts. I can identify at least two quality checks for my practical work.	independently during practical work. I can produce a product which has a very good level of making and finishing. I have produced a product which is demanding in its range of skills. I can apply quality checks to the practical work to make sure that it is well made.
Evaluation	I can explain the look of my design and with some help explain why this is the case. With help I can say what needs to be better next time. With some help I can say what was hard when making my product.	I can explain the look of my design and with explanation why this is the case. I can say if I was successful or unsuccessful. I can identify good or bad points about my work. I can identify a way of making my work look and work better.	I can reflect upon my design work and show some evidence of evaluation in my writing. I can identify what is working well and what could be improved. I can think about and reflect upon my specification and say where my product is successful and not-so-successful. I can say/document where my product does/does not fit my specification and why. I have identified major key weaknesses and suggested improvements.	I can identify and document what is working well and what could be improved. I can comment and compare upon most of my specification points and say whether it was helpful. I can test my product in situation and document appropriate comments. I can explain in writing about my research and specification whether it was appropriate to my final product or not. I have evaluated my product in use and gained user feedback. I have identified a number of key weaknesses and suggested improvements.

Food Preparation and Nutrition Year 8 Assessment Criteria

	Bronze Bronze	Silver	Gold	Platinum (
Knowledge and Understanding	I can state the three macronutrients. I can state the three groups of raising agents. I understand what a microorganism is along with the three types. I can recognise some factors that influence a person's food choice. My sensory analysis highlights a positive and potential improvement. I can suggest ways buying food is better for the environment.	I can state the three macronutrients and what makes them a macronutrient. I can describe some types of raising agents and put them into the specific group. I can state what micro-organsisms are capable of causing in the body. I can describe how certain factors will influence an individual's food choice. My sensory analysis includes taster feedback with data in a table and positives and improvements suggested. I am able to describe what food miles and organic farming are.	I am able to state why there are three macronutrients and describe which provides the most energy. I can describe the role of a raising agent stating its group and a product it occurs in. I can list some types of food poisoning with their symptoms. I can explain how our senses are used to determine our food choices. I can analyse a product using the four senses, stating positives, improvements and some nutritional analysis with tables and graphs. I can analyse the benefits of buying organic and draw specific links between it and food miles.	I am able to state the amount of energy per gram in each macronutrient and justify their individual functions. I can explain how raising agents are used and their individual process to allow a product to rise. I can explain the 5 types of food poisoning along with their individual symptoms and incubation periods. I can recognise specific ingredients with senses alone and state 4 other factors to analyse a person's food choice. I can show my sensory analysis results via tables and graphs which include positives, potential improvements and the nutritional content of the dish. I am able to explain the clear links between food miles and organic farming along with the benefits of this type of farming.
Preparation and planning	I can select the correct type ingredients and can weigh out what I need. I can get myself ready for a practical activity with help and being reminded. I can produce a basic flow chart with help.	I can select some of the equipment needed to make my product. I know how to set up properly for a practical session. I can produce a basic flow chart with some of the required information on it My choice of ingredients will be based on the selection suggested by the teacher but include the correct quantity and type.	I can use research to help make decisions about what to add to my food. I know how to set up properly for a practical session and what to do at the end. I can plan to make using a flow chart which will contain all of the information that I need to make a successful product. I occasionally require help to select the equipment to enable me to make successfully. I can select ingredients that are suitable to the type of dish being made. I know how to store food correctly.	I have a clear understanding of the type of ingredients that are suitable for the task. I know how to write a flow chart and include equipment and ingredients in metric. I can use my planning to enable me to set myself up ready for making. Where research has been carried out, I can apply this to help select suitable dishes to make. I know that cost, time available and food value are important when selecting foods to use. I know about food hygiene and safety.

Making: Basic techniques	I need to be reminded how to prepare some ingredients like onion. I know my basic equipment (e.g. sieve, peeler) and can use them properly. I sometimes make use of my planning when making. When reminded, I can carry out some basic skills. I sometimes need help to control the heat on the hob. I can set the oven temperature. I need to be reassured about controlling the heat on the hob.	I can follow my planning. I understand how to use most of the small equipment in the room with support. I can work by myself and make a useful contribution to team work. I can make different types of products using the basic techniques correctly with support. I am confident when using the oven and the hob, but need more practice with the grill.	I am confident when using the oven and the hob, but need more practice with the grill. I understand how to use most of the small equipment in the room. I can work by myself and make a useful contribution to team work. I can make different types of products using the basic techniques correctly independently. I am confident when using all aspects of the oven.	I am tidy and efficient most of the time whilst carrying out practical tasks. I use my flow chart to help me make. I can work as part of a team and I am quite confident when working by myself. I can slice, dice, simmer, use the oven, hob and grill with some help from my teacher or peers. I can work efficiently and tidily. I can work on my own most of the time using my planning.
Making: Adapting to needs	When given examples of how to make changes, I can make changes of my own. My product needs to be improved, but does show some understanding of the task. I need to be reminded of basic hygiene rules and safety rules. I understand the need for hygiene standards. I understand the need to be safe whilst carrying out practical work.	I can name some foods that can be healthier alternatives. I can carry out some simple practical tasks myself My product is quite basic, but complete. My product meets the needs of the task to some degree. I have made one change to the original product to make it my idea. I occasionally apply hygiene	I often ask for help to make my product. I apply some of the rules of hygiene whilst making. I apply some of the rules of safety whilst making. I can make simple changes to my product e.g. changing cheese to low fat cheese. I ask for help to complete the more difficult stages e.g. shaping pastry.	I can make appropriate changes to my dishes to make them healthier with help. I apply the basic principles of hygiene and safety most of the time whilst cooking and when clearing up. My product is a good illustration of adapting ingredients. I ask for help occasionally to help finish my product. I use my teacher's comments to help me to adapt my recipes to make them healthier/more suitable to the task set.
Evaluating	With some help, I can say what was hard about making my product. I can say if I was successful or unsuccessful. I can identify some of the good and bad points about my work. I can identify a way of making my work look and taste better.	I can identify what is working well and what can be improved. I can identify all of the good or bad points about my product. I can say what was said by others about my product. I can use sensory descriptors to discuss some aspects of my product.	I can make some simple suggestions for changes to the product next time. I can use the comments of others to help me evaluate my product full. I can use sensory analysis or a star profile to help me evaluate my product in detail.	I can describe my product using comments from other people. I can compare my product to existing products. I can say what I need to make changes to and how I might implement those changes. I can explain in writing whether a product has been successful or not.