

Design and technology

Long-term plan

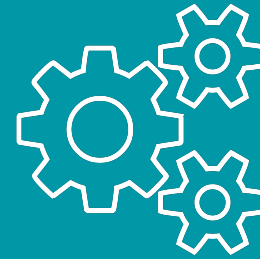
Condensed curriculum

18 lesson, condensed curriculum covering the EYFS, KS1 and KS2 national curriculum objectives in less time.

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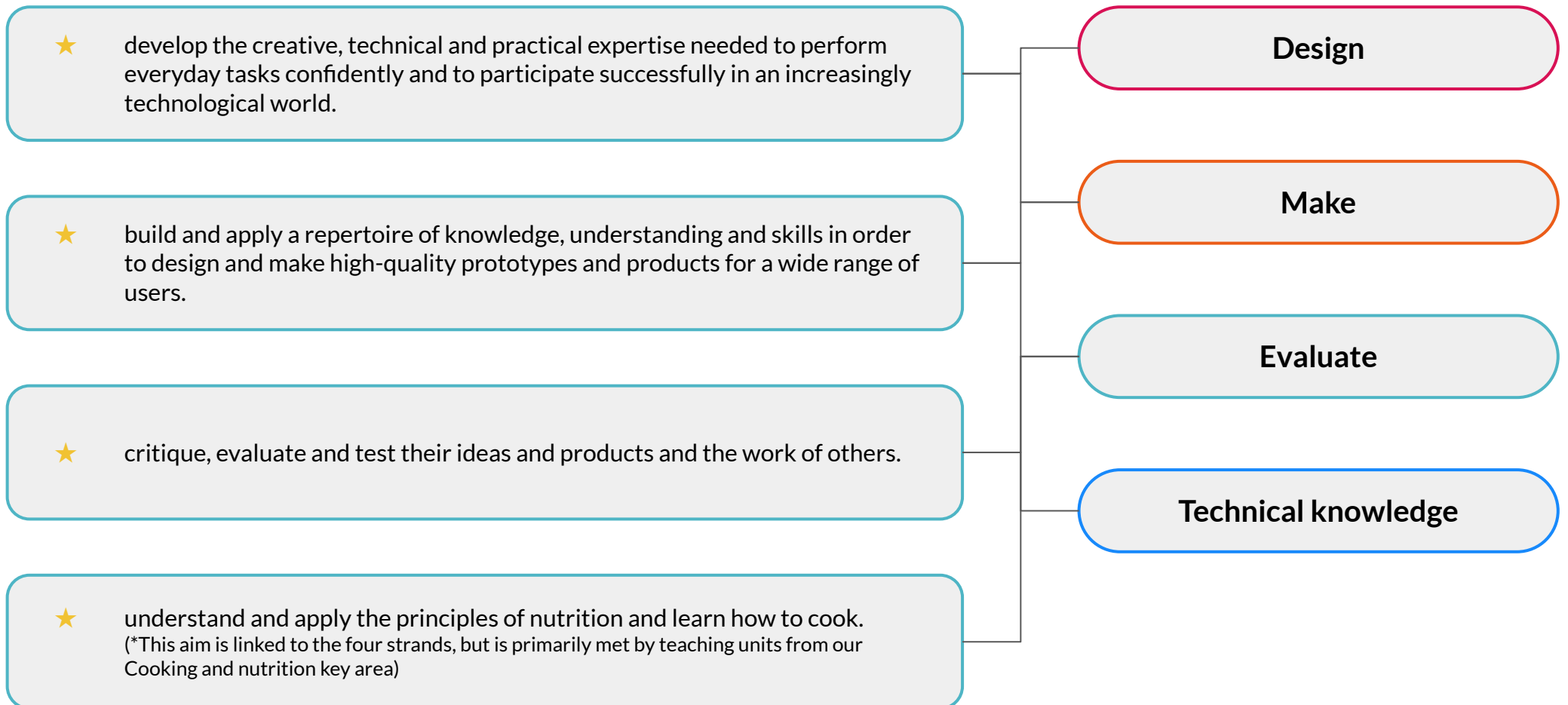
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How does Kapow Primary's scheme of work align with the National Curriculum?

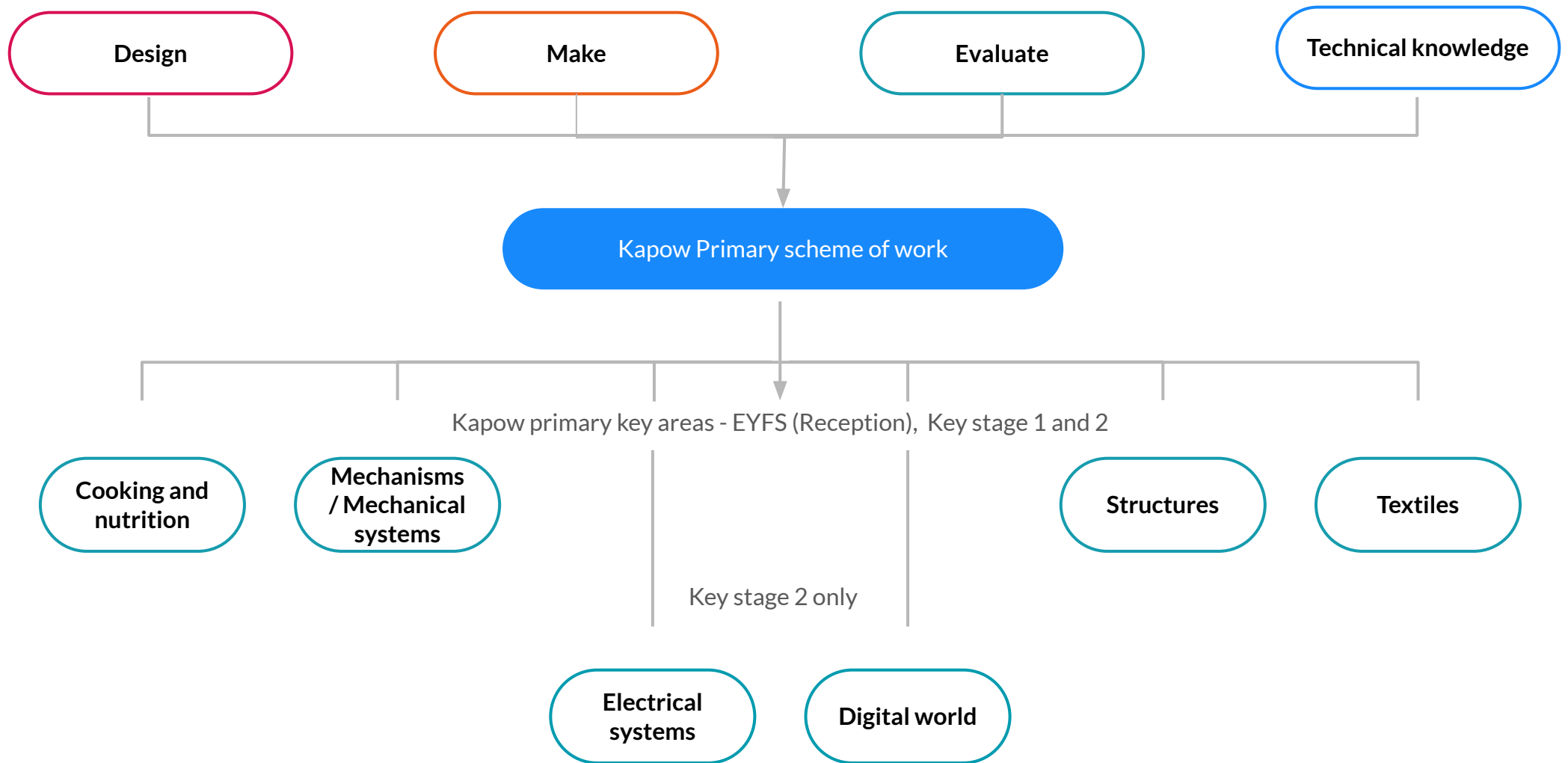
Our scheme of work fulfils the statutory requirements outlined in the **national curriculum (2014)**. The national curriculum Programme of study for Design and technology aims to ensure that all pupils:

We have identified four key strands which run throughout our scheme of work:



Our [D&T: National curriculum overview](#) document shows which of our units cover each of the National curriculum attainment targets and strands above. Each lesson plan references the relevant National curriculum objectives, along with cross-curricular links to any other subjects. For EYFS (Reception) links are made to Development matters and the Early Learning Goals.

How is the Design and technology scheme of work organised?



Key areas

The six key areas are revisited each year, with Electrical systems and Digital world beginning in KS2. The areas enable all subject leads, specialists or non-specialists, to understand and make it easy for teachers to see prior and future learning for your pupils. You can see, at a glance, how the unit you are teaching fits into their wider learning journey.

EYFS (Reception) Key Stage 1 and 2

Cooking and nutrition

Where food comes from, balanced diet, preparation and cooking skills. Kitchen hygiene and safety. Following recipes.



Mechanisms/ Mechanical systems

Mimic natural movements using mechanisms such as cams, followers, levers and sliders.



Key Stage 2

Structures

Material functional and aesthetic properties, strength and stability, stiffen and reinforce structures.



Textiles

Fastening, sewing, decorative and functional fabric techniques including cross stitch, blanket stitch and appliqué.



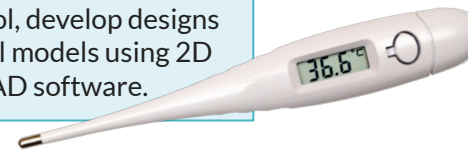
Electrical systems

Operational series circuits, circuit components, circuit diagrams and symbols, combined to create various electrical products.



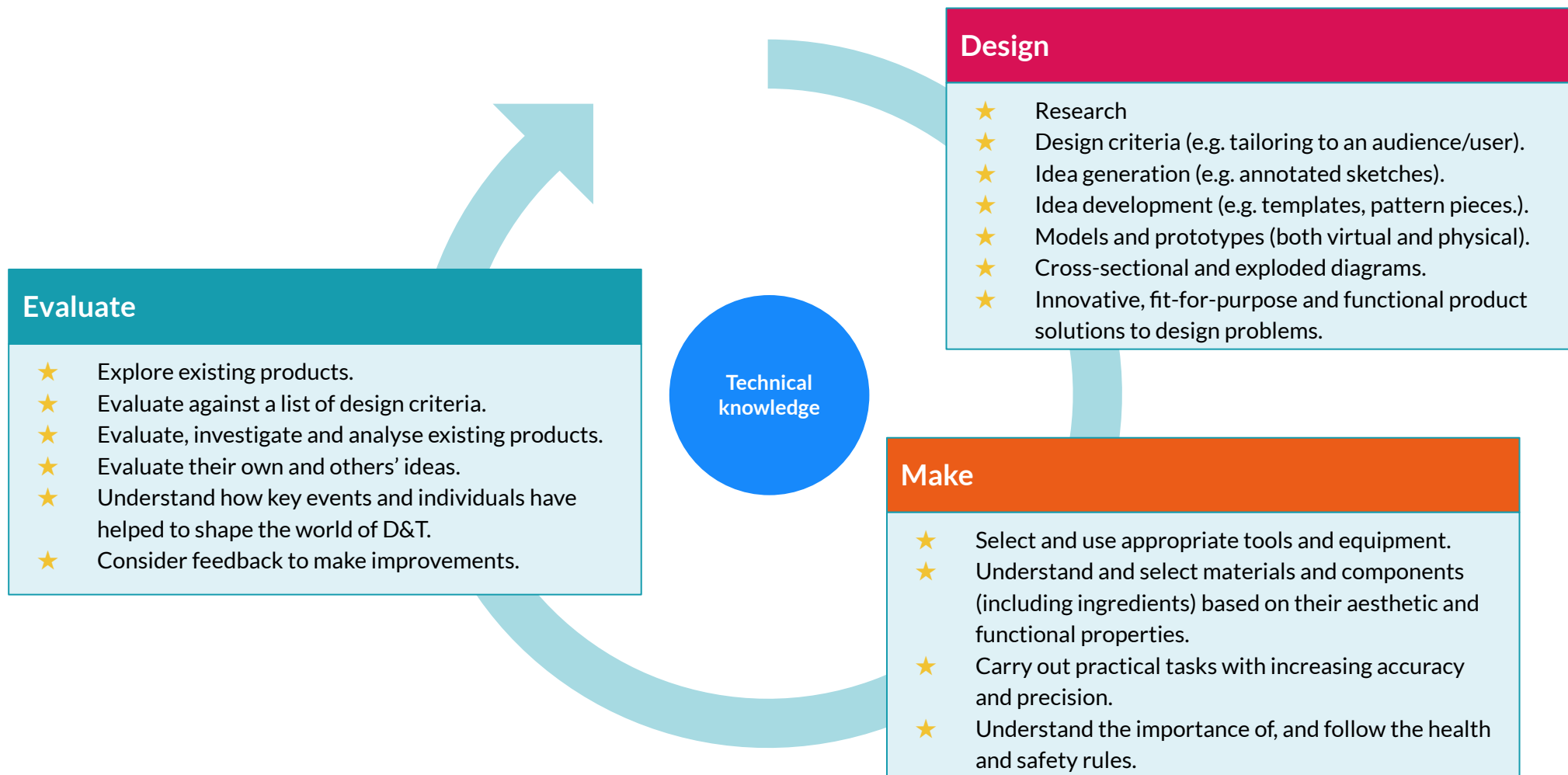
Digital world

Program products to monitor and control, develop designs and virtual models using 2D and 3D CAD software.



The design process

The Design and technology National Curriculum outlines the three main stages of the design process: design, make and evaluate. Each Kapow Primary unit follows these stages, to form a full project. Each stage of the design process is underpinned by technical knowledge which encompasses the contextual, historical and technical understanding, required for each strand.



Cooking and nutrition* has a separate section in the D&T National Curriculum, with additional focus on specific principles, skills and techniques in food, including where food comes from, diet and seasonality. Cooking and nutrition units still follow the design process summarised above, for example by tasking the pupils to develop recipes for a specific set of requirements (design criteria) and to suggest methods of packaging the food product including the nutritional information.

A spiral curriculum

The scheme of work has been designed as a spiral curriculum with the following key principles in mind:

- ✓ **Cyclical:** Pupils return to the key strands again and again during their time in primary school.
- ✓ **Increasing depth:** Each time the key strand is revisited it is covered with greater complexity.
- ✓ **Prior knowledge:** Upon returning to each key strand, prior knowledge is utilised so pupils can build upon previous foundations, rather than starting again.



Is there any flexibility in the Kapow Primary Design and technology scheme?

Our Design and technology scheme of work is organised into units of four lessons (or six in EYFS: Reception).

Within each unit, lessons must be taught in order as they build upon each other.

Across a single year group, units themselves do not need to be taught in the suggested order.

The flexibility in the order allows schools to adapt the planning to suit their school and to make use of cross-curricular links available.

The suggested order in these long term plans takes account of the limited resources which may be available in school. Therefore the key strands have been distributed across the year so that all year groups are not requiring the same tools and equipment at the same time.

Why have we chosen to include these Design and technology units?

For Design and technology, we had to make some difficult decisions about which units to include and which to omit. We have carefully selected units to ensure gradual progression towards the National curriculum end of key stage attainment targets and to cover all of the four strands shown below in enough detail.

Design

Make

Evaluate

Technical knowledge

Some key areas appear less frequently than others, for example Textiles, and this is deliberate. The National curriculum statements below show that working with textiles is only a small element of the Make strand and many of the making techniques covered in our Textiles units are also covered with a range of materials in other units, such as the use of templates, modelling, measuring and marking out, cutting, shaping and joining.

Make (KS1)

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 ingredients, according to their characteristics

Make (KS2)

select from and use a wider range of tools and equipment to perform practical tasks [for example, cutting, shaping, joining and finishing], accurately **select from and use a wider range of materials** and components, including construction materials, textiles and ingredients, according to their functional properties and aesthetic qualities

Similarly in Year 2, the coverage of key areas is deliberately imbalanced as there are two Mechanisms units. This is because there is strong progression between the Y1 Structures: Constructing a windmill and the Y2 Mechanisms: Fairground wheel and then again with the Y2 Mechanisms: Making a moving monster. To omit one of these units would negatively impact on the progression.

Other useful documentation:

There are a number of essential documents that can support you in planning and approaching our **Design and technology** scheme of work and they can be found on our [Subject planning page](#)

- ✓ [Progression of knowledge and skills document - condensed](#)
- ✓ [National curriculum mapping](#)
- ✓ [Knowledge organisers](#)
- ✓ [Approaching the new Digital world units to program, monitor and control products](#)
- ✓ [Design and technology resource and costings sheet](#)
- ✓ [Equipment list](#)
- ✓ [Personal development, SMSC and British values mapping](#)
- ✓ [Intent, Implementation, Impact statement](#)
- ✓ [Risk assessments](#)

Please see the suggested plan below for if you need to deliver D&T within a shorter time frame.

	Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4	Unit 5
EYFS: Reception	Structures: Junk modelling (6 lessons)	Textiles: Bookmarks (6 lessons)	Structures: Boats (6 lessons)		
Year 1	Structures: Constructing windmills (Lesson 1 - 3; omit lesson 4)	Mechanisms: Moving story book (Lesson 1 - 3; omit lesson 4) NB: Use the Storybook template (see Resources) for all pupils in Lesson 2 to save time.	Mechanisms: Wheels and axles (4 lessons)	Textiles: Puppets (4 lessons)	Cooking and nutrition: Fruit and vegetables (4 lessons)
Year 2	Mechanisms: Fairground wheel (4 lessons)	Cooking and nutrition: A balanced diet (4 lessons)	Structures: Baby bear's chair (Lesson 2 - 4; omit lesson 1)	Textiles: Pouches (Lessons 1 - 3; omit lesson 4)	Mechanisms: Moving monster (4 lessons)

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	Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4	Unit 5
Year 3	Textiles: Cross stitch and appliqué Cushions or Egyptian collars (4 lessons)	Structures: Constructing a castle (Lessons 2 - 4; omit lesson 1)	Cooking and nutrition: Eating seasonally (4 lessons)	Digital world: Wearable technology (Lessons 2-4; omit lessons 1 and 6) NB. This means that there is no evaluation in the unit.	Mechanical system: Pneumatic toys (Lessons 2 - 4; omit lesson 1) NB. Watch the tea box in lesson 1, as a physical example.
Year 4	Mechanical systems: Making a slingshot car (4 lessons)	Textiles: Fastenings (Lessons 2-4; omit lesson 1)	Structures: Pavilions (4 lessons)	Cooking and nutrition: Adapting a recipe (4 lessons)	Electrical systems: Torches (Lessons 2 - 4; omit lesson 1)
Year 5	Cooking and nutrition: What could be healthier? (4 lessons)	Electrical systems: Doodlers (Lessons 1 - 3; omit lesson 4)	Mechanical systems: Making a pop-up book (Lessons 1 - 3; omit lesson 4) NB. Use the Jack and Jill book and moving parts template in Lesson 2, to reduce time.	Digital world: Monitoring devices (4 lessons)	Structures: Bridges (4 lessons)
Year 6	Structure: Playgrounds (Lessons 1 - 3; omit lesson 4) NB. Skip the surrounding landscape and complete the playground structures in lesson 3.	Mechanical systems: Automata toys (4 lessons)	Electrical systems: Steady hand game (Lesson 2 - 4; omit lesson 1)	Digital world: Navigating the world (5 lessons) NB: You could complete lesson 5 as an assembly or celebratory event.	Cooking and nutrition: Come dine with me (4 lessons)

This page shows recent updates that have been made to this document.

Date	Update
08.06.22	Y5 <i>Doodlers</i> unit replaces <i>Electronic greetings card</i> unit p. 10.
19.08.22	Added new alternative Year 3 Textiles: Egyptian collars unit p. 10.
14.10.22	Added rationale for selection of units.
16.11.22	Added three EYFS: Reception units.
20.03.23	Changed key area title from 'Food' to 'Cooking and nutrition' and removed 'Cooking and nutrition as a strand.
30.08.23	Updated Y3 unit 4 to 'Wearable technology'.