

D&T curriculum/progression map: Early Years with links to KS1/Y1



Key concepts (Trust	Designing	Making	Evaluating Key drivers : Oracy		
intent/nc)			Oracy		
KS1 (Y1) Composite knowledge		 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 be made stronger, stiffer and more stable ple, levers, sliders, wheels and axles], in their production of the prepare dishes 	 explore and evaluate a range of existing products evaluate their ideas and products against design criteria 		
Early Years Composite knowledge (by end of EYFS)	understand where food comes from ELG: Creating with Materials Children at the Safely use and explore a variety of materials, to design, texture, form and function ELG: Managing Self Manage their own basic hy understanding the importance of healthy food	ELG: Creating with Materials Share their creations, explaining the process they have used;			
Understand & talk about where vegetables come from (through planting, growing, eating) Early Years – key learning experiences (adult led and continuous provision) (component knowledge). D&T Capital in red					
	Designing	Making	Evaluating		
Reception Opportunities to revisit learning and practise	Plan what they are going to create Create with a purpose	Make models that express their ideas (DM) Creative workshops – junk modelling, paint, crayons. Joining materials & tools – tape, glue,	Return to and build on their previous learning, refining ideas and developing their ability to represent them. (DM)		
skills in continuous provision – all year groups	Photos of previous creations and examples on display as inspiration etc.	scissors – variety of media. Exploratory & with a purpose Woodwork benches. Range of tools &	Ongoing work shelf – children can revisit, adapt and refine creations Encourage children to reflect on their work		

Learning Journals always available – revisit and reflect on	'designing' pizza, sandwiches etc. Discuss healthy choices & why	materials —as Nursery plus hacksaws, dowels, wheels	verbally – talk about it, and revise while working
previous work		Blocks, lego and other construction materials available	Learning Journals – reflect on previous work – revisit and develop
Opportunities to talk throughout – explain		Playdough & tools Cooking and nutrition	
thinking and plans, evaluate and refine		Growing vegetables and plants to eat – vegetable patches/planters	
		Cooking – our own produce (see above), and other recipes – cakes, sandwiches, pizza etc. Discuss healthy eating	
Nursery	Develop their own ideas and then decide which materials to use to express them. (DM) Explore different materials freely, in order to	Join different materials and explore different textures. (DM)	Encourage children to reflect on their work verbally – talk about it, and revise while working
	develop their ideas about how to use them and what to make. (DM)	Creative workshops – junk modelling, paint, crayons. Joining materials & tools – tape, glue, scissors – variety of media (exploratory)	Learning Journals – reflect on previous work
	Photos of previous creations and examples on display as inspiration	Woodwork benches – hammers, nails, wood,	
		caps etc.	
		Blocks, duplo and other construction materials available Playdough & tools	
		Cooking and nutrition Growing vegetables and plants to eat -	
		vegetable patches Regular cooking – our own produce (see above), and other recipes –	
TWOs		Discuss healthy eating Creative workshops – junk modelling, paint, crayons. Joining materials & tools – tape, glue, scissors – variety of media (supported)	Talk about children's models and creations – modelling language – as they work
		Playdough & tools. Blocks, duplo and other construction materials available	Learning Journals – reflect on previous work

Educational Programme – Expressive arts and design (2021)	Cooking and nutrition Growing vegetables and plants to eat – cress and beans Regular cooking opportunities The development of children's artistic and cultural awareness supports their imagination and creativity. It is important that children have regular opportunities to engage with the arts, enabling them to explore and play with a wide range of media and materials. The quality and variety of what children see, hear and participate in is crucial for developing their understanding, self-expression, vocabulary and ability to communicate through the arts. The frequency, repetition and depth of their experiences are fundamental to their progress in interpreting and appreciating what they hear, respond to and observe.				
Vocabulary	Designing	Making	Evaluating		
	Plan, design, idea, choose	Join, cut, construct, build, make, stable	Change, adapt		