



Singleton Church of England Primary School

Progression of Skills and Knowledge

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EYFS - Y6



DT Knowledge Overview	Cooking and Nutrition EYFS – Soup Year 1 Fruit and vegetables Year 2 – A balanced diet Year 3- Eating Seasonally Year 4 – Adapting a Recipe Year 5 – What could be healthier? Year 6 – Come dine with me	Mechanisms / Mechanical Systems Y1 – Making a moving story book Y1 - Wheels and axles Y2 - Fairground wheel Y2 - Making a Moving Monster Year 3- Pneumatic Toys Year 4 – Making a Slingshot Year 5 – Pop up Book Year 6 – Automata Toys	Structures EYFS- Boats Y1 - Constructing a windmill Y2 – Baby Bears Chair Year 3- Constructing a castle Year 4 – Pavilions Year 5 – Bridges Year 6 – Playgrounds	Textiles EYFS – Bookmarks Year 1 Puppets Year 2 Pouches Year 3-Cross stitch and applique Year 4 – Fastenings Year 5 – Stuffed Toys Year 6 – Waist Coats	Electrical Systems (KS2) Year 3- Electric Poster Year 4 - Torches Year 5 - Doodlers Year 6 – Steady Hand Game	Digital World (KS2) Year 3- Pneumatic toys Year 4 – Making a Sling shot car Year 5 – Pop up book Year 6 – Automata Toys
SUBSTANTIVE KNOWLEDGE EYFS	Knowledge – Soup <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know that soup is ingredients (usually vegetables and liquid) blended together.To know that vegetables are grown.To recognise and name some common vegetables. To know that different vegetables taste different.To know that eating vegetables is good for us.To discuss why different packages might be used for different foods.	N/A	Knowledge – Boats <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know that ‘waterproof’ materials are those which do not absorb waterTo know that some objects float and others sink.To know the different parts of a boat.	Knowledge – Bookmarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know that a design is a way of planning our idea before we start.To know that threading is putting one material through an object.	N/A	NA
SUBSTANTIVE KNOWLEDGE Year 1	Knowledge – Fruit and Veg <ul style="list-style-type: none">To understand the difference between fruits and vegetables.To understand that some foods typically known as vegetables are actually fruits (e.g. cucumber).To know that a blender is a machine which mixes ingredients together into a smooth liquid.To know that a fruit has seeds and a vegetable does not.To know that fruits grow on trees or vines.To know that vegetables can grow either above or below ground.To know that vegetables can come from different parts of the plant.	Knowledge – Moving Story Book <ul style="list-style-type: none">know that a mechanism is the parts of an object that move together.know that a slider mechanism moves an object from side to side.know that a slider mechanism has a slider, slots, guides and an object.know that bridges and guides are bits of card that purposefully restrict the movement of the slider.know that in Design and technology we call a plan a ‘design’. Knowledge – Wheels and axles <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know that wheels need to be round to rotate and move.To understand that for a wheel to move it must be attached to a rotating axle.To know that an axle moves within an axle holder which is fixed to the vehicle or toy.To know that the frame of a vehicle (chassis) needs to be balancedTo know some real-life items that use wheels such as wheelbarrows, hamster wheels and vehicles.	Knowledge – Constructing a windmill <ul style="list-style-type: none">To understand that the shape of materials can be changed to improve the strength and stiffness of structures.To understand that cylinders are a strong type of structure (e.g. the main shape used for windmills and lighthouses).To understand that axles are used in structures and mechanisms to make parts turn in a circle.To begin to understand that different structures are used for different purposes.To know that a structure is something that has been made and put together. Additional unit knowledge <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know that a client is the person I am designing for.To know that design criteria is a list of points to ensure the product meets the clients needs and wants.To know that a windmill harnesses the power of wind for a purpose like grinding grain, pumping water or generating electricity.To know that windmill turbines use wind to turn and make the machines inside work.To know that a windmill is a structure with sails that are moved by the wind.To know the three main parts of a windmill are the turbine, axle and structure	Knowledge – Puppets <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know that ‘joining technique’ means connecting two pieces of material together.To know that there are various temporary methods of joining fabric by using staples. glue or pins.To understand that different techniques for joining materials can be used for different purposes.To understand that a template (or fabric pattern) is used to cut out the same shape multiple times.To know that drawing a design idea is useful to see how an idea will look.		

SUBSTANTIVE KNOWLEDGE Year 2	Knowledge – a balanced diet <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know that ‘diet’ means the food and drink that a person or animal usually eats.To understand what makes a balanced diet.To know where to find the nutritional information on packaging.To know that the five main food groups are: Carbohydrates, fruits and vegetables, protein, dairy and foods high in fat and sugar.To understand that I should eat a range of different foods from each food group, and roughly how much of each food group.To know that nutrients are substances in food that all living things need to make energy, grow and develop. To know that ‘ingredients’ means the items in a mixture or recipe.To know that I should only have a maximum of five teaspoons of sugar a day to stay healthy.To know that many foods and drinks we do not expect to contain sugar do; we call these ‘hidden’ sugars.	Knowledge – Technical – Fairground wheel <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know that different materials have different properties and are therefore suitable for different uses. Knowledge – Additional <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know the features of a ferris wheel include the wheel, frame, pods, a base an axle and an axle holder.To know that it is important to test my design as I go along so that I can solve any problems that may occur Knowledge – Technical - Making a Moving Monster <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know that mechanisms are a collection of moving parts that work together as a machine to produce movement.To know that there is always an input and output in a mechanism.To know that an input is the energy that is used to start something working.To know that an output is the movement that happens as a result of the input. To know that a lever is something that turns on a pivot.To know that a linkage mechanism is made up of a series of levers Knowledge – Additional <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know some real-life objects that contain mechanisms.	Knowledge – Technical – Baby Bears Chair <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know that shapes and structures with wide, flat bases or legs are the most stable.To understand that the shape of a structure affects its strength.To know that materials can be manipulated to improve strength and stiffness. To know that a structure is something which has been formed or made from parts.To know that a ‘stable’ structure is one which is firmly fixed and unlikely to change or move.To know that a ‘strong’ structure is one which does not break easily.To know that a ‘stiff’ structure or material is one which does not bend easily Knowledge – Additional <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know that natural structures are those found in nature.To know that man-made structures are those made by people.	Knowledge – Technical – Pouches <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know that sewing is a method of joining fabric.To know that different stitches can be used when sewing.To understand the importance of tying a knot after sewing the final stitch.To know that a thimble can be used to protect my fingers when sewing		
SUBSTANTIVE KNOWLEDGE Year 3 Year 3- Eating Seasonally Year 4 – Adapting a Recipe Year 5 – What could be healthier? Year 6 – Come dine with me	Knowledge - Eating Seasonally <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know that not all fruits and vegetables can be grown in the UK.To know that climate affects food growth.To know that vegetables and fruit grow in certain seasons.To know that cooking instructions are known as a ‘recipe’.To know that imported food is food which has been brought into the country.To know that exported food is food which has been sent to another country.To understand that imported foods travel from far away and this can negatively impact the environment.To know that each fruit and vegetable gives us nutritional benefits because they contain vitamins, minerals and fibre.To understand that vitamins, minerals and fibre are important for energy, growth and maintaining health.To know safety rules for using, storing and cleaning a knife safely.To know that similar coloured fruits and vegetables often have similar nutritional benefits.	Pneumatic Toys Technical Knowledge <ul style="list-style-type: none">To understand how pneumatic systems, work.To understand that pneumatic systems can be used as part of a mechanism.To know that pneumatic systems operate by drawing in, releasing and compressing air. Additional Knowledge <ul style="list-style-type: none">To understand how sketches, drawings and diagrams can be used to communicate design ideas.To know that exploded-diagrams are used to show how different parts of a product fit together. To know that thumbnail sketches are small drawings to get ideas down on paper quickly.	Knowledge – Technical <ul style="list-style-type: none">To understand that wide and flat based objects are more stable.To understand the importance of strength and stiffness in structures Additional Knowledge <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know the following features of a castle: flags, towers, battlements, turrets, curtain walls, moat, drawbridge and gatehouse - and their purpose.To know that a façade is the front of a structure.To understand that a castle needed to be strong and stable to withstand enemy attack.To know that a paper net is a flat 2D shape that can become a 3D shape once assembled.To know that a design specification is a list of success criteria for a product.	Knowledge - cross stitch and applique <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know that applique is a way of mending or decorating a textile by applying smaller pieces of fabric to larger pieces.To know that when two edges of fabric have been joined together it is called a seam.To know that it is important to leave space on the fabric for the seam.To understand that some products are turned inside out after sewing so the stitching is hidden.	Knowledge – Electrical Poster Technical <ul style="list-style-type: none">To understand that an electrical system is a group of parts (components) that work together to transport electricity around a circuit. To understand common features of an electric product (switch, battery or plug, dials, buttons etc.).To list examples of common electric products (kettle, remote control etc.).To understand that an electric product uses an electrical system to work (function).To know the name and appearance of a bulb, battery, battery holder and crocodile wire to build simple circuits. Additional Knowledge <ul style="list-style-type: none">To understand the importance and purpose of information design.To understand how material choices (such as mounting paper to corrugated card) can improve a product to serve its purpose (remain rigid without bending when the electrical circuit is attached).	Knowledge – Electronic Charm Technical <ul style="list-style-type: none">To understand that, in programming, a ‘loop’ is code that repeats something again and again until stopped.To know that a Micro: bit is a pocket-sized, codable comp Additional Knowledge <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know what the ‘Digital Revolution’ is and features of some of the products that have evolved as a result.To know that in Design and technology the term ‘smart’ means a programmed product.To know the difference between analogue and digital technologies.To understand what is meant by ‘point of sale display.’To know that CAD stands for ‘Computer-aided design’.
SUBSTANTIVE KNOWLEDGE Year 4	Knowledge - Adapting a Recipe <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know that the amount of an ingredient in a recipe is known as the ‘quantity.’To know that it is important to use oven gloves when removing hot food from an oven.To know the following cooking techniques: sieving, creaming, rubbing method, cooling.To understand the importance of budgeting while planning ingredients for biscuits	Knowledge – Making a Sling Slot Technical <ul style="list-style-type: none">To understand that all moving things have kinetic energy.To understand that kinetic energy is the energy that something (object/person) has by being in motion.To know that air resistance is the level of drag on an object as it is forced through the air.	Knowledge – Pavilions Technical <ul style="list-style-type: none">To understand what a frame structure is.To know that a ‘free-standing’ structure is one which can stand on its own. Additional Knowledge <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know that a pavilion is a a decorative building or structure for leisure activities.To know that cladding can be applied to structures for different effects.	Knowledge Fastenings <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know that a fastening is something which holds two pieces of material together for example a zipper, toggle, button, press stud and Velcro.To know that different fastening types are useful for different purposes.To know that creating a mock up (prototype) of their design is useful for checking ideas and proportions.	Knowledge – Torches Technical <ul style="list-style-type: none">To understand that electrical conductors are materials which electricity can pass through.To understand that electrical insulators are materials which electricity cannot pass through.To know that a battery contains stored electricity that can be used to power products.To know that an electrical circuit must be complete for electricity to flow.	Knowledge – Mindful Moments timer Technical <ul style="list-style-type: none">To understand what variables are in programming.To know some of the features of a Micro: bit.To know that an algorithm is a set of instructions to be followed by the computer.To know that it is important to check my code for errors (bugs).To know that a simulator can be used as a way of checking your code works before installing it onto an electronic device.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none">To understand that the shape of a moving object will affect how it moves due to air resistance. Additional Knowledge <ul style="list-style-type: none">To understand that products change and evolve over time.To know that aesthetics means how an object or product looks in design and technology.To know that a template is a stencil you can use to help you draw the same shape accurately.To know that a birds-eye view means a view from a high angle (as if a bird in flight).To know that graphics are images which are designed to explain or advertise something.To know that it is important to assess and evaluate design ideas and models against a list of design criteria.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">To know that aesthetics are how a product looks.To know that a product’s function means its purpose.To understand that the target audience means the person or group of people a product is designed for.To know that architects consider light, shadow and patterns when designing.		<ul style="list-style-type: none">To know that a switch can be used to complete and break an electrical circuit. Additional Knowledge <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know the features of a torch: case, contacts, batteries, switch, reflector, lamp, lens.To know facts from the history and invention of the electric light bulb(s) - by Sir Joseph Swan and Thomas Edison.	Additional Knowledge <ul style="list-style-type: none">To understand the terms 'ergonomic' and 'aesthetic'.To know that a prototype is a 3D model made out of cheap materials, that allows us to test design ideas and make better decisions about size, shape and materials.
SUBSTANTIVE KNOWLEDGE Year 5	Knowledge - What could be healthier? <ul style="list-style-type: none">To understand where meat comes from - learning that beef is from cattle and how beef is reared and processed, including key welfare issues.To know that I can adapt a recipe to make it healthier by substituting ingredients.To know that I can use a nutritional calculator to see how healthy a food option is.To understand that ‘cross-contamination’ means bacteria and germs have been passed onto ready-to-eat foods and it happens when these foods mix with raw meat or unclean objects.	Knowledge – Pop Up Book Technical <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know that mechanisms control movement.To understand that mechanisms can be used to change one kind of motion into another.To understand how to use sliders, pivots and folds to create paper-based mechanisms. Additional Knowledge <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know that a design brief is a description of what I am going to design and make.To know that designers often want to hide mechanisms to make a product more aesthetically pleasing.	Knowledge – Bridges Technical <ul style="list-style-type: none">To understand some different ways to reinforce structures.To understand how triangles can be used to reinforce bridges.To know that properties are words that describe the form and function of materials.To understand why material selection is important based on properties.To understand the material (functional and aesthetic) properties of wood. Additional Knowledge <ul style="list-style-type: none">To understand the difference between arch, beam, truss and suspension bridges.To understand how to carry and use a saw safely.	Knowledge – Stuffed Toys <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know that blanket stitch is useful to reinforce the edges of a fabric material or join two pieces of fabric.To understand that it is easier to finish simpler designs to a high standard.To know that soft toys are often made by creating appendages separately and then attaching them to the main body.To know that small, neat stitches which are pulled taut are important to ensure that the soft toy is strong and holds the stuffing securely	Knowledge – Doodlers Technical <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know that series circuits only have one direction for the electricity to flow.To know when there is a break in a series circuit, all components turn off.To know that an electric motor converts electrical energy into rotational movement, causing the motor’s axle to spin.To know a motorised product is one which uses a motor to function. Additional Knowledge <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know that product analysis is critiquing the strengths and weaknesses of a product.To know that ‘configuration’ means how the parts of a product are arranged.	Knowledge – Monitoring Devices Technical <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know that a ‘device’ means equipment created for a certain purpose or job and that monitoring devices observe and record.To know that a sensor is a tool or device that is designed to monitor, detect and respond to changes for a purpose.To understand that conditional statements (and, or, if Booleans) in programming are a set of rules which are followed if certain conditions are met? Additional Knowledge <ul style="list-style-type: none">To understand key developments in thermometer history.To know events or facts that took place over the last 100 years in the history of plastic, and how this is changing our outlook on the future. To know the 6Rs of sustainability.To understand what a virtual model is and the pros and cons of traditional vs CAD modelling.
SUBSTANTIVE KNOWLEDGE Year 6	Knowledge - Come dine with me <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know that ‘flavour’ is how a food or drink tastes.To know that many countries have ‘national dishes’ which are recipes associated with that country.To know that ‘processed food’ means food that has been put through multiple changes in a factory.To understand that it is important to wash fruit and vegetables before eating to remove any dirt and insecticides.To understand what happens to a certain food before it appears on the supermarket shelf (Farm to Fork).	Knowledge - Automata Toys Technical <ul style="list-style-type: none">To understand that the mechanism in an automata uses a system of cams, axles and followers.To understand that different shaped cams produce different outputs Additional Knowledge <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know that an automata is a hand powered mechanical toy.To know that a cross-sectional diagram shows the inner workings of a product.To understand how to use a bench hook and saw safely.To know that a set square can be used to help mark 90° angles.	Knowledge – Playgrounds Technical <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know that structures can be strengthened by manipulating materials and shapes. Additional Knowledge <ul style="list-style-type: none">To understand what a 'footprint plan' is.To understand that in the real world, design, can impact users in positive and negative ways.To know that a prototype is a cheap model to test a design idea.	Knowledge – Waistcoats <ul style="list-style-type: none">To understand that it is important to design clothing with the client/ target customer in mind.To know that using a template (or clothing pattern) helps to accurately mark out a design on fabric.To understand the importance of consistently sized stitches.	Knowledge – Steady Hand game Technical <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know that batteries contain acid, which can be dangerous if they leak.To know the names of the components in a basic series circuit, including a buzzer Additional Knowledge <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know that ‘form’ means the shape and appearance of an object.To know the difference between 'form' and 'function'.To understand that 'fit for purpose' means that a product works how it should and is easy to use.To know that form over purpose means that a product looks good but does not work very well.To know the importance of ‘form follows function’ when designing: the product must be designed primarily with the function in mind.To understand the diagram perspectives 'top view', 'side view' and 'back'.	Knowledge – Navigating the World Technical <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know that accelerometers can detect movement.To understand that sensors can be useful in products as they mean the product can function without human input. Additional Knowledge <ul style="list-style-type: none">To know that designers write design briefs and develop design criteria to enable them to fulfil a client’s request.To know that ‘multifunctional’ means an object or product has more than one function.To know that magnetometers are devices that measure the Earth’s magnetic field to determine which direction you are facing.