Design Technology at Almond Hill Junior School



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Subject Intent Statement

By the end of KS2 children at Almond Hill will...

- be able to develop prototypes for functional products that are fit for purpose and solve real and relevant problems, using a critical understanding of design.
- be encouraged to use creativity and imagination to develop practical expertise, within a variety of contexts such as the home, enterprise or industry.
- learn to be resourceful and use creative, technical skills that will equip them to perform everyday tasks successfully.

Implementation

Children at Almond Hill will achieve the criteria mentioned above through class teacher taught lessons on two specific topics for each year group. In line with the National Curriculum, Design Technology will be taught both discretely for skills acquisition, and also may be combined with other foundation subjects through a topic based learning approach.

During every topic, every child will take part in designing, making and evaluating a product. The complexity and range of the skills taught will progress as the children move further up the school as mentioned in the progression of skills and we will aim to build on those already acquired at KS1.

Design Technology topics and lessons will facilitate cross curricular links to skills from subjects such as Maths and Science as well as enhancing the knowledge acquisition and learning in subjects such as History and Geography. Where opportunities arise, the curriculum will aim to celebrate and compliment the cultural diversity within our school, and wider community. Almond Hill's core learning behaviours will be embedded throughout the learning as children will be encouraged to 'be curious', 'work together' and 'have a go', as well as to 'aim high' and 'enjoy learning'.

Adaptations for SEND pupils:

As a school we aim to provide an inclusive DT curriculum which is accessible for all pupils. Lessons may need to be adapted to provide appropriate provision for pupils with SEND. This could be in the form of any of the following:

- Adapted tasks
- Adapted resources / equipment
- Reduced / extended space to use
- Additional support

Topics/Units Across the Key Stage Progression of skills

Year Group	Autumn		Spring		Summer		
Year 3	-	-		Food Technology (SPR1)		Mechanisms (SUM1)	
				(Making vegetable medleys – food miles and		posters - levers	
						and linkages - recycling	
				packaging).		/ Global Goals focus.	
Year 4	Sewing (AUT 1)	-	Structures (SPR 2) -		-		
	Bookmarks	Bookmarks		Greek labyrinth and			
	Egyptian themed		Parthenon (reinforcing				
	design (hieroglyphics)		3D structures)				
Year 5	Mechanical Systems -		-		Food Technology -		
	Moving Models	Moving Models - Chinese Inventions /				Bread (making, seasonality, packaging	
	Chinese Invention						
	kites	kites				and advertising)	
Year 6	Sewing - (AUT	2)	Structures (SPR2) - Mini		<u>.</u>	
	Containers - A	٩n	theatres (P	utting on a			
	evacuee bag (mal	ke do	sho	ow)			
	and mend sewi	ng	To incorpora				
	skills)		circuits, cams	s and pulleys.			
			Whole School Skills				
	Year 3	Year 4	Trible delice: skiiis	Year 5		Year 6	
Designing							
	WTS	WTS		WTS		WTS	
Understanding	All ARE with support		l ARE with support	All ARE with	support	All ARE with	
contexts, users and purposes	ADE	ADE		ARE		support	
una parposes	ARE Generate ideas for	ARE • W	ith growing	Use research	and	ARE	
	an item, considering		onfidence, start to	develop desi		Use research and	
	its purpose and the	_	enerate ideas for	to inform the	_	develop design	
	user/sStart to understand		item, considering e purposes for	innovative, for appealing pro-		criteria to inform the design of	
	whether products		hich they are	that are fit fo		innovative,	
	can be recycled or		esigning	Use results o		functional,	
	re-used		egin to use search to inform	investigation information		appealing products that are	
			eas in terms of	including ICT	-	fit for purpose	
			nctionality and	developing d	esign	Start to	
		ae	esthetics	ideas		understand how much products	
						cost to make,	
						how sustainable	
						and innovative they are and the	
						impact products	
						have beyond	
						their intended purpose	
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Generating, developing, modelling and communicating ideas	Identify a purpose and establish criteria for a successful product, drawing on own experiences and existing products	Generate realistic ideas based on user needs, planning how to use materials, equipment and processes Identify the strengths and areas for development in their ideas and products Take account of the ideas of others when designing	Use a range of drawing skills, discussion, prototypes, patterns pieces and computer-aided design to plan and communicate ideas Start to generate, develop, model and communicate their ideas through discussion, annotated sketches and prototypes Produce ideas, considering research of similar products	Use a range of drawing skills, discussion, prototypes, patterns pieces and computeraided design to plan ideas Generate, develop, model and communicate innovative ideas through discussion, annotated sketches, diagrams and prototypes Generate a range of innovative ideas drawing on research Explain how their product will appeal to the intended audience
Greater Depth in Designing	 Suggest a refinement or modification When planning, explain their choice of materials and components including function and aesthetics 	 Suggest a refinement or modification Consider how to present their product in an interesting way 	A creative response to a design brief / problem Suggest some alternative plans and say what the good points and drawbacks are about each	 A creative response to a design brief / problem Show consideration to culture and society in a design Suggest ideas about how their product could be sold Work within a given budget

Making

Planning

- Start to order the main stages of making a product
- Select tools, equipment, materials and components
- Know to make drawings with labels when designing
- When planning, explain their choice of materials and components

- Order the main stages of making
- Select from a range of tools, equipment, materials and components and explain their choices
- When planning, explain their choice of materials and components according to function and aesthetic
- With more confidence, make labelled drawings of their design
- Produce a plan and explain it to others

- Formulate step-bystep plans.
- Select suitable tools, equipment, materials and components from own choice and be able to explain those choices
- With growing confidence, select appropriate materials, tools and techniques
- Use a range of drawing skills, discussion, prototypes, patterns pieces and, where appropriate, computers
- Make labelled drawings showing specific features

- Formulate lists of resources and step-by-step plans
- Select suitable tools, equipment, materials and components and explain their choices
- Suggest
 alternative
 methods of
 making if the first
 attempts fail
- Identify the strengths and areas for development in their ideas and products
- Follow and refine their initial plan if necessary
- Convincingly justify their plan to someone else

Practical skills and techniques

- With guidance, follow procedures for safety and hygiene
- Select tools and techniques for making their product i.e. construction materials, textiles, food ingredients, mechanical components
- Start to understand that mechanical systems such as levers and linkages or pneumatic systems create movement
- Measure, mark out, cut, score and assemble components with some accuracy
- Start to work safely and accurately with a range of simple tools and equipment

- Follow procedures for safety and hygiene.
- Select a wider range of tools and techniques for making their product safely
- Know how to measure, mark out, cut and shape a range of materials, using appropriate tools, equipment and techniques
- Understand how to reinforce and strengthen a 3D framework
- Sew, using a range of different stitches
- Start to measure, tape or pin, cut and join fabric with some accuracy
- Measure carefully and show initiative to check so as not to make mistakes
- Persevere with their product even

- Follow procedures for safety and hygiene
- Select appropriate materials, tools and techniques e.g. cutting, shaping, joining and finishing, accurately and safely
- With growing confidence, apply a range of finishing techniques, including those from art and design
- Select from and use a wider range of materials and components, according to their functional properties and aesthetic qualities
- Understand that mechanical and electrical systems have an input process and output
- Begin to measure and mark out more accurately
- With growing confidence cut and

- Follow procedures for safety and hygiene
- Confidently select appropriate tools, materials, components and techniques and use them safely and accurately
- Assemble components to make working models
- Aim to make and to achieve a quality product
- With confidence pin, sew and stitch materials together to create a product
- Make modifications as they go along
- Understand how mechanical systems such as cams or pulleys

	 Attempt to make sure that their product looks attractive Make choices of material both for its appearance and qualities Make a product which uses mechanical components Create and use simple pulleys, levers and linkages 	though their original idea might not have worked	join with accuracy to ensure a good-quality finish to the product Use finishing techniques to strengthen and improve the appearance of their product using a range of equipment including ICT Demonstrate motivation/ perseverance to refine and improve their products Create a 3D product using a range of materials and techniques	or gears create movement Know how electrical circuits and components can be used to create functional products Know how to reinforce and strengthen a 3D framework Use finishing techniques to strengthen and improve the appearance of their product using a range of equipment Combine fabric to make a high quality product for a purpose Make decisions and select the most appropriate mechanical system for a particular purpose Accurately apply a range of finishing techniques, including those from art and design
Greater Depth in Making	 Accurate, precise and high quality finish Try alternative ways of fixing something if the first attempt is not successful 	Accurate, precise and high quality finish	Accurate, precise and high quality finish	Accurate, precise and high quality finish

Evaluating				
Own ideas and products	Start to evaluate their product against original design criteria e.g. how well it meets its intended purpose Suggest some improvements and say what was good and not so good about their original design Start to think about their ideas as they make progress and be willing to change things if this helps them to improve their work	 Evaluate their work both during and at the end of the assignment, against their design criteria, thinking of both appearance and the way it works Be able to consider the views of others to evaluate and improve their product Suggest some improvements and say what was good and not so good about their original design 	 Start to evaluate a product against the original design specification and by carrying out tests Evaluate their work both during and at the end of the assignment Begin to seek evaluation from others Evaluate appearance and function against original criteria Evaluate their products by carrying out appropriate tests 	 Evaluate product identifying strengths and areas to develop in their ideas and products against their original design specification Consider the views of others to make improvements Evaluate their work both during and at the end of the assignment Test and evaluate their final product to see if it meets all of the design criteria Justify why they selected specific materials
Greater Depth in Evaluating	Can make judgements about their products and ideas against their design criteria	Can critique a design and suggest purposeful adaptations to meet a specific need	To think deeply and critically about other products and making an improvement to their design as they go	To think deeply and critically about other products and continuously improve their design as they go based on feedback from others and their own ideas

Understand and apply the principles of a healthy and varied diet.

Prepare and cook a variety of predominantly savoury dishes using a range of cooking techniques.

Understand seasonality, and know where and how a variety of ingredients are grown, reared, caught and processed.