



Intent for the Year 8 Design and Technology Curriculum 2021-2022

'All children will experience a well-balanced and comprehensive curriculum that enhances informed, intellectual, developmental and moral character. As a result, this will improve life chances, inter-personal relationships, social mobility and preparedness for employment. Our curriculum will encourage everyone to have a positive impact on society.'

Design and Technology is an inspiring, rigorous and practical subject. Using creativity and imagination, pupils design and make products that solve real and relevant problems within a variety of contexts, considering their own and others needs, wants and values. Design and Technology curriculum allows students to gain a greater understanding of the technological/creative world of design having greater understanding for how products work, prepared and made. Design and technology is one of the very few opportunities for pupils to partake in a technical, practical education. It plays an important role in providing young people with a hands-on creative experience and develops a practical identity and a capability for innovation. The subject provides opportunities for collaboration, team working and communication skills that are essential for future employment. We have recognised the need to reform the subject and align it with modern design thinking and industrial practices while maintaining strands of the National Curriculum

In Year 8 we encourage students to deepen their existing knowledge from year 7 and continue to make the links which were formed from the National curriculum and expand on knowledge. The aim of this year is to ' build' upon students learning experiences and bring them back inline with their predicted path which were set before the pandemic- this will be supported again through The department's 6 principles Tool box:

1.Problem solving-the multidisciplinary approach

- 2. User centred design
- 3. Communication
- 4. Application of skill
- 5. Knowledge of materials / nutrients
- 6. Industrial culture and careers

Character Education will be an additional tool in our Tool box and very much at the forefront of our delivery of the curriculum. Activities will strive to encourage students to be independent learners, by taking responsibility for their own actions. Students will be introduced to a range of tools, materials, working techniques and projects early on so they are equipped to deal with the challenges that Design and Technology pose and how these are related to the real world applications. The lessons are delivered through specific context - projects form small focussed tasks which require students to build on listening skills, communication, team work, reflection, and how to deal with mistakes. Much of what we have been covering in DT for many years now is Enquiry based learning providing a vehicle to developing a sense of the world and their responsibility within it.

#### Implementation:

Design and technology is part of the Creative Faculty along with Art, Drama and Music. Pupils will rotate on a carousel system spending approximately 10 weeks with each subject area. The length of time that students spend with each subject area differs however within design technology students will receive 2 hours a week in year 8. Within design and





technology pupils will also rotate within our own carousel focusing on Food, Engineering, STEM/Skills and Textiles modules. Design and technology's intent is to combine practical and technological skills with creative thinking to design and make products and systems that meet human needs. We have integrated a key stage by key stage curriculum where students will have unrivaled opportunities to understand the relevance of, and apply mathematical, scientific, design and computing concepts to the made world(STEM). They learn to use current technologies and consider the impact of future technological developments. They learn to think creatively to improve quality of life, solving problems as individuals and members of a team. Students in Year 8 will carry out project based tasks using a range of strategies, Designing, making, evaluating and interleaving. Technical knowledge is either offered as part of a collective or taught as stand alone areas.

### Curriculum adaptations as a result of the pandemic:

In relation to the pandemic students have missed out on all applications of skills, including CAD/CAM due to not being able to access the specialist workshops and food rooms. We have therefore focussed this year on the revival of skills associated with design, make, evaluate and technical knowledge. Longer module rotations throughout the year will allow more time to cover more areas and enable us to reduce the gap in the highlighted areas. All details of which can be identified below.

Term	Enquiry/Topic/Unit:	Key Outcomes: What will students	Character Education: How	Assessment: Will there be	Vocabulary:	Home-Learning: What
	What is going to be	have achieved by completing this	does this topic link to a	formative and/or summative	What are the	homework will be set
	taught?	scheme of learning?	sense of Self, Others and	testing? What role will	key words for this	and why (e.g.
			the World, in terms of	interleaving play? How will	topic/unit that	consolidate/extend)?
			Character Education?	this be marked?	students must	How will this be marked?
					know?	
1-6	Year 8- Food 2 -		We will be focussing on 6	Summative:	See SOW for	Select and prepare
Crea	Skills challenge	• that food is produced, processed	character traits:	Mid & End of Topic Assessment.	more specific key vocabulary	ingredients for practical lesson
tive	Cooking and	and sold in different ways, e.g.	Resilient,Responsibility,		Savoury	Weighing and
Caro	Nutrition	conventional and organic farming,	Confident, Creative,	Formative: Carried out in line with	Routines Health	measuring throughout the term
usel	Where food comes	fair trade	Curious and Reflective	feedback policy	Weighing	1 week per module
lastin	from	that people choose different types	At the end of each term	*verbal feedback	Measuring Accuracy	cleaning and washing up routine at home
		of food and that this may be	students sit an Assessment-	*Whole class feedback	Hob Independent	2 hours per module split
g		influenced by availability, season,	and the feedback policy is	*Peer/self-assessment	Organisation	as necessary
10w	CNA3	need, cost, where the food is	designed to develop a	At the start of all lessons staff		
eeks	CNA4	produced, culture and religion	sense of reflection.	will recap each lesson		
	Cooking and Nutrition	• the importance of a healthy and	At the end of the module	leading into the next to shape interleaving.		
		varied diet as depicted in the	students also reflect on the	Assessments occur twice in a term amid way check and		



Food preparation,	Eatwell Guide and eight tips for	project to understand	a formal one driven at the	
cooking	healthy eating	which areas of the 9	end of the rotation focusing on core knowledge for the	
and nutrition	that food provides energy and	character traits they have	specific module. They will sit	
CNB1	nutrients in different amounts; that	used which has allowed	a 25 minute assessment near the end of term	
CNB2	they have important functions in	them to complete/ assist in	ine end of lenin	
CNB3	the body; and that people require	the challenge.		
CNB7	different amounts during their life			
CNB8	how to taste and cook a broader			
CNB9	range of ingredients and healthy			
CNB10	recipes, accounting for a range of			
CNB12	needs, wants and values			
CNB13	how to use a broader range of			
CNB14	preparation techniques and			
CNB15	methods when cooking, e.g. stir-			
CNB16	frying, steaming, blending			
CNB17	how to modify recipes and cook			
	dishes that promote current			
	healthy eating messages			
	• the principles of cleaning,			
	preventing cross-contamination,			
	chilling, cooking food thoroughly			
	and reheating food until it is			
	steaming hot			
	how to store, prepare and cook			
	food safely and hygienically			
	how to select and prepare			
	ingredients			
	how to use utensils and electrical			
	equipment			



	<ul> <li>how to apply heat in different ways</li> <li>how to use taste, texture and smell to decide how to season dishes and combine ingredients</li> <li>how to adapt and use their own recipes</li> <li>how to cook a repertoire of predominantly savoury dishes to feed themselves and others a healthy and varied diet</li> </ul>				
Year 8 – STEM Skills challenge - Casting Designing DA Understanding contexts, users and purposes DA2, DA9 Designing DB Generating, developing, modelling and communicating ideas DB2, DB4, DB5, DB7, DB9 Making MA Planning MA4, MA5  Making MB Practical skills and techniques MB5, MB7, MB11	<ul> <li>use research including the study of different cultures, to identify and understand user need</li> <li>take creative risks when making design decisions</li> <li>produce models of their ideas using CAM to test out their ideas</li> <li>use CAD and related software packages to validate their designs in advance of manufacture</li> <li>use specifications to inform the design of innovative, functional, appealing products that respond to needs in a variety of situations</li> <li>use a variety of approaches, for example biomimicry and usercentred design, to generate</li> </ul>	Enquiry based learning provides a vehicle to developing a sense of the world and their responsibility within it.  We will be focussing on 6 character traits:  Resilient,Responsibility,  Confident, Creative,  Curious and Reflective  At the end of each term students sit an Assessmentand the feedback policy is designed to develop a sense of reflection.  At the end of the module students also reflect on the project to understand which areas of the 9	Summative: Mid & End of Topic Assessment.  Formative: Carried out in line with feedback policy *verbal feedback *Whole class feedback *Peer/self-assessment At the start of all lessons staff will recap each lesson leading into the next to shape interleaving. Assessments occur twice in a term amid way check and a formal one driven at the end of the rotation focusing on core knowledge for the specific module. They will sit a 25 minute assessment near the end of term	See SOW for key vocabulary - however below are just a selection of recurring DT words and Phrases students should know at the end of KS3 Problem solving Measuring Techniques Safety with tools Processes casting CAD/CAM 2 D Design Cutting, drilling, sanding, filing, joining, finishing Hacksaws (including junior hacksaws) Fret saw & blades Files	See separate Homework sheet for year 8 Each term has a focus to extend learning and engagement with real world applications some of which are national competition based and will include inter-house competitions



Evaluating EB	creative ideas and avoid	character traits they have	Abrasive paper	
Existing products	stereotypical responses	used which has allowed	& Pillar drill, hand	
Evaluating EB	develop and communicate design	them to complete/ assist in	drill Two part epoxy	
Existing products	ideas using annotated sketches	the challenge.	resin.	
how materials can be	<ul> <li>make simple use of planning tools,</li> </ul>	0.1	Hardness, elasticity,	
cast in moulds	for instance Gant charts		conductivity,	
	communicate their plans clearly so		toughness, ductility, tensile	
	that others can implement the		strength and	
	adapt their methods of		malleability. Ferrous metals	
how to make	manufacture to changing		Non-ferrous	
adjustments to the	circumstances		metals Alloys	
settings of equipment and machinery such as	follow procedures for safety and		,	
sewing machines and	hygiene and understand the			
drilling machines	process of risk assessment			
Evaluating EC	apply a range of finishing			
Key events and	techniques, including those from			
individuals EB5	art and design, to a broad range			
Technical Knowledge	of materials including textiles,			
Making products work	metals, polymers and woods			
TK7, TK8				
	how products can be developed			
	considering the concept of 'cradle			
	to grave			
	how materials can be cast in			
	moulds			
	how to make adjustments to the			
	settings of equipment and			
	machinery such as sewing			
	machines and drilling machine			





Year 8 – Eng Sweet Dispe Designing Do Understandin users and pur DA7, DA8, Do Making MA Planning MA1, MA2, M Making MB Practical skills techniques MB1, MB7, M MB9, MB11 Evaluating E Own ideas an EA1, EA2, EA Technical Kr Making produ	enser  A  ag contexts, rposes A10  MA7, MA8  s and MB8  EA  and products A5  nowledge	<ul> <li>We are repeating this module with year 8's as they missed out in year 7 to develop detailed design specifications to guide their thinking</li> <li>work confidently within a range of relevant domestic, local and industrial contexts, such as the home, health, leisure, culture, engineering, manufacturing, construction, food, energy, agriculture and fashion</li> <li>consider the influence of a range of lifestyle factors and consumer choices when designing products</li> <li>consider additional factors such as ergonomics, anthropometrics or dietary needs</li> <li>produce ordered sequences and schedules for manufacturing products they design, detailing resources required</li> <li>produce costings using spreadsheets for products they design and make</li> </ul>	We will be focussing on 6 character traits:  Resilient,Responsibility, Confident, Creative, Curious and Reflective At the end of each term students sit an Assessment- and the feedback policy is designed to develop a sense of reflection. At the end of the module students also reflect on the project to understand which areas of the 9 character traits they have used which has allowed them to complete/ assist in the challenge.	Summative: Mid & End of Topic Assessment.  Formative: Carried out in line with feedback policy *verbal feedback *Whole class feedback *Peer/self-assessment At the start of all lessons staff will recap each lesson leading into the next to shape interleaving. Assessments occur twice in a term amid way check and a formal one driven at the end of the rotation focusing on core knowledge for the specific module. They will sit a 25 minute assessment near the end of term	See SOW for key vocabulary Problem solving Measuring Techniques Safety with tools Processes - Cutting, drilling, sanding, filing, joining, finishing Ergonomics Assembling products Manipulating timber Finishing timber Softwood Hardwood MDF Plywood Acrylic sheet Dowel PVA Varnish/wax Stains	See separate Homework sheet for year 8 Each term has a focus to extend learning and engagement with real world applications some of which are national competition based and will include inter-house competitions
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select appropriately from specialist		
tools, techniques, processes,		
equipment and machinery,		
including computer-aided		
manufacture		
• select appropriately from a wider,		
more complex range of materials,		
components and ingredients,		
taking into account their properties		
such as water resistance and		
stiffness		
make use of specialist equipment		
to mark out materials		
follow procedures for safety and		
hygiene and understand the		
process of risk assessment		
• use a wider, more complex range		
of materials, components and		
ingredients, taking into account		
their properties		
• use a broad range of		
manufacturing techniques		
including handcraft skills and		
machinery to manufacture		
products precisely		
apply a range of finishing		
techniques, including those from		
art and design, to a broad range		



of materials including textiles,		
metals, polymers and woods		
<ul> <li>evaluate their products against</li> </ul>		
their original specification and		
identify ways of improving them		
<ul> <li>actively involve others in the testing</li> </ul>		
of their products		
• test, evaluate and refine their ideas		
and products against a		
specification, taking into account		
the views of intended users and		
other interested groups		
<ul> <li>how to classify materials by</li> </ul>		
structure e.g. hard words, soft		
woods, ferrous and non-ferrous,		
thermoplastic and thermosetting		
plastics		
<ul> <li>about the physical properties of</li> </ul>		
materials e.g. grain, brittleness,		
flexibility, elasticity, malleability and		
thermal		
<ul> <li>how to make adjustments to the</li> </ul>		
settings of equipment and		
machinery such as sewing		
machines and drilling machines		
<ul> <li>use learning from mathematics to</li> </ul>		
help design and make products		
that work		





	understand the performance of				
	structural elements to achieve				
	functioning solutions				
Year 8 - Textiles -Skills	Key Outcomes:	Character Education:	The students have an		Each project has a 3 - 4
challengeEnquiry/Topi		It gives students curiosity,	assessment sheet in their		week Home Learning
c/Unit:		confidence, resilience and	sketchbooks with Success	Techniques:	project that
		reflectivity to use sewing	Criteria for each project,	✓ Health	corresponds to the
Sculpture Pop Art Junk	• Introduction to sewing machines	machines and really	which allows for constructive	& Safety	theme of the project.
Food - Introduction	& to get familiar with the tools and	challenge themselves to	and positive comments,	<b>✓</b>	These are marked at
into Textiles & to get	environment	start working independently	Grade, Attitude for Learning	Observ	the end of the rotation
familiar with the tools	• Students will be inspired by cities	and to be able to problem	and Targets to be set.	ational Drawing	and contribute to the
& environment	around the world, they will create	solve throughout the		(Colouring	overall assessment of
	a Textiles collage of their chosen	project.	Summative;	Pencil)	each student in a
Art Elements - Colour,	city entirely out of Denim. They will	It gives students curiosity,	Students' work in	<b>✓</b>	'portfolio' style
Form, Shape, Three-	be inspired by Denim Artist Ian	creativity and reflectivity to	sketchbooks is assessed at	Griddin	marking of work that is
dimensional, Value	Berry.	explore a new culture and	the end of each project.	g Method	subject appropriate
Design Principles -	• Students will create a portrait of	really challenge themselves	It takes into account all	✓ Pattern	and feeds into the
Contrast, Balance,	an influential person within the	to start working	classwork and coincides with	Cutting	expectations and
Emphasis, Unity and	BLM movement in the style of	independently and to be	the completion of a Home	✓ Sewing	marking scheme at
Variety	Victoria Villisana	able to differentiate	Learning activity that is set for	Machine	KS4
		different cultures through	a 3 - 4 week period.	Introduction	
Art Textiles Denim		architecture.	There is an emphasis on	✓ Hand	
Urban Landscapes –			Home Learning so that the	Embroidery	
Inspired by cities		It gives students creativity,	students are aware that the	(Blanket Stitch)	
across the world,		confidence, resilience and	project is as important as the	(Bidlikel Sillell)	
students create a		reflectivity to be able to free	work completed in class. This	Constru	
Textiles collage of their		motion embroidery with	will allow students to	ction/Stuffing	
		sewing machines and really	practice and prepare for the	Chon/stolling	



chosen city entirely	challenge themselves to	high quality expectations of	✓ 2 Point
out of denim	start working independently	GCSE.	Perspective
	and to be able to problem		Drawing (Biro
Art Elements - Value,	solve throughout the	Whole school assessment;	Pen)
Line, Shape, Space	project. They will be	Students are assessed during	✓ Photo
and Texture	cementing the knowledge	Winter Term and Summer	Editing/Photogr
Design Principles -	that they have learnt	Term. This will involve students	aphy
Contrast, Two-	throughout the year.	to complete an exercise that	<b>*</b>
Dimensional,		sits within the scheme of	Appliqu
Proportion, Balance		work.	é/Collage
and Unity		The level, percentage mark	✓ Sewing
		and 'attitude to learning' are	Machine (more
Art Textiles BLM		entered into Arbor after	independently)
Portraits – Students will		every rotational group.	✓ Pattern
create a portrait of a			Cutting
influential person			✓ Tonal
within the BLM			
movement in the style			Range
of Victoria Villisana			✓ Hand
			Embroidery
Art Elements - Line,			(French Knots)
Space, and Texture			✓ Image
Design Principles -			transfer onto
Balance, Repetition,			fabric
Pattern, White Space,			✓ Double
Variety and Emphasis			sided tape
			image transfer
			<b>✓</b>
			Observ



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		ational Drawing
		(Pencil)
		✓
		Stencilli
		ng & Fabric
		Sprays
		✓ Free
		Motion
		Embroidery
		✓ Hand
		Embroidery
		Mark
		Making(Lazy
		Daisy, Fringe,
		French Knots,
		Satin Stitch)
		Suil i Silicity

### Impact:

At this stage before they embark on year 8 we want students to have built up a repertoire of practical skills for their 'Tool box' whilst understanding a range of material knowledge and technical vocab some of which are mentioned above. They will understand the importance of problem solving, making connections between skills acquired and the world of work and relate these to actual real life examples in the world. Through the use of the case studies students can make real world connections to life beyond the classroom. The Students are able to build on previous experience learnt in year 7. Students can develop confidence, resilience and have more freedom to extend creativity in



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the modules. Through the diverse curriculum students learn about a wide range of issues relating to Design and Technology and begin to make connections with real world applications and the positive and negative aspects that can arise through designing, planning and manufacturing products. Students will have covered an initial understanding of how this Design and Technology fits into real world applications. In Year 8 at this stage we want students to build up a connection between skills acquired and world of work and relate these to actual real life. Through the use of the case studies/ modules and video links students can begin to make their own opinions about what the next steps they would need to take in the real world to get into a range of career opportunities. The Careers covered here hope to inspire the students when considering options for next steps and their future careers and to make those all-important connections.