DT - Progression of Skills

	FS	Year 1/2	Year 3/4	Year 5/6
Cooking and nutrition	Practise good hygiene Describing foods Expressing opinions about foods Identifying healthy and unhealthy foods With support, follow simple cooking instructions Using cooking equipment safely	Baking and decorating biscuits Understand the importance of hygiene Explore the look, taste and smell of foods Basic understand where food comes from Thinking of interesting ways to decorate Measure ingredients with support Roll, use a cutter, whisk, stir, sieve Understanding the rule of moderation Preparing salads Understand the importance of hygiene Explore the look, taste and smell of foods Basic understand where food comes from Identify and discuss healthy foods Cut, peel with a peeler and grate safely	Soup Explain the importance of food hygiene and safety Begin to look at seasonality Discuss the properties of ingredients Control heat on a hob or oven Follow a recipe Measuring accurately, cut, peel, bridge and claw techniques to cut food into halves or quarters, slice Use a blender Scones and sandwiches Growing food to eat (cress, herbs, vegetables, fruit) Follow a recipe Measure accurately, spread, slice, assemble, grate Discuss the properties of ingredients	Pies Explain the importance of food hygiene and safety Seasonality, grown, reared, processed Measure accurately, slice, cut using claw and bridge technique, cube, mince, peel, mix and blend, score pastry Create recipes based on market research Pizzas and breads Explore microorganisms in cookery Importance of appropriate storage of savoury dishes Scaling up and down for recipes Measuring accurately - ml, g, tbsps., tsp. Select ingredients that appeal to a wide range of tastes Knead, grate, slice Prepare and serve a balanced meal
Structure	Explore different materials to construct Evaluate and suggest ways to improve their structures Use tools safely Mould and shape dough	Photo frames Use tools to safely cut and join Assemble pieces together Measure and mark to the nearest cm Create a freestanding structure by widening the base or folding or combining materials to strengthen	Packaging Create a shell structure Use a craft knife safely and accurately Use CAD programmes to enhance designs Score card and fold Select appropriate joining techniques Strengthen materials using suitable techniques	Buildings Measure and mark to the nearest mm Cut with precision, paying attention to final look (sanding after cutting wood/ more precision when cutting out roughly with scissors first) Create a frame applying strengthening techniques Study different joining techniques and select an appropriate one for final product
Textiles	Explore threading	Hand puppets Shape textiles using a template Cut out the textile with fabric scissors Join using running stitch Add decoration through adding sequins, buttons, wool etc.	Christmas stockings Draw design on textile Join using blanket stitch and running stitch Add applique details and decorations Consider how the user will hang the textile Use smaller eyed needles and finer threads	Waistcoats Create something that requires a seam Join and decorate using a range of stitches Use a sewing machine Add fastenings – buttons Colour fabrics through tie die, batik or paint
Electronics			Light up houses Create a circuit using a bulb and switch Attach a circuit to a structure Understand the properties of materials – conductors and insulators Use tools safely – wire strippers, scissors, craft knives, bench hooks and glue guns	Moon buggies Create a circuit using a motor and a handmade switch Understand properties of materials – conductors/insulators Use wire strippers, scissors, craft knives, bench hooks, glue guns safely and with precision Use scientific knowledge of the transference of forces (such as winding mechanisms, pulleys and gears)
Mechanics	Explore moving toys and books	Moving parts on a picture or book Explore mechanisms such as levers/ sliders Use scissors and rulers accurately London Buses Create a moving product with axles/ wheels Use tools safely – hack saw, glue gun, scissors	Roman catapults Measure and mark to the nearest mm Cut safely with scissors, hack saw, craft knife Use scientific knowledge of transference of forces to create a lever Construct a jinx frame using jinx corners to reinforce	Moving toys Convert rotary motion to linear using cams Use scientific knowledge of the transference of forces to choose appropriate mechanisms for a product (such as winding mechanisms, pulleys and gears)