



# DESIGN TECHNOLOGY

**CAREERS**  
IDEAS  
PLANS  
TO  
FLOURISH

**Core content and specialist knowledge:**  
Revise and practice exam papers in preparation for your final exam in DT.

**AO3: Evaluate & Test:**  
Gain feedback throughout your project, and test your final product – have you met your brief?

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**AO2: Realise Design ideas:**  
Manufacture your product using skills and processes used throughout your DT journey.

**AO2: Generate & Develop Design Ideas:**  
Develop your sketches and communicate ideas. Developing them using modelling techniques

**AO1: Research & Investigation**  
Follow on from your summer task to further understand the context. Client interviews, product, site analysis and designer research.

**AO1: Specification & Brief:**  
Clarify the needs and wants of the project writing your own brief & specification

**Initial Sketches:**  
What ideas do you have already? Can you visualize them?

**Investigate the design possibilities:**  
What is the design context? Analysing the detail and potential problems and clients.

**FINAL GCSE EXAM**

**EXAM REVISION**

**NEA COURSEWORK**

**YEAR 11**

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**Joining:**  
Carrying out a range of wood joints. Building skills in specialist tools and equipment to create a box.

**Finishing:**  
Testing and evaluating a range of different finishing methods and products.

**Forces and Stresses:**  
Using a range of forces and stresses to produce a keyring.

**Polymers:**  
Building on KS3 knowledge of polymers to make a polypropylene lamp.

**Textiles:**  
Learning about the properties of textiles and how to incorporate them to improve product functionality.

**Electronics:**  
Use basic KS3 electronics knowledge to build LED circuit for lamp.

**Research, Design, Develop, Make, Evaluate:**  
Introduction to each section of the NEA in a trial portfolio.

**Make:**  
Confirm confident use of machinery and tools. Experience combining materials, and manufacturing processes like vacuum forming.

**GCSE NEA CONTEXTS**

**Materials & Properties**

**Evaluate:**  
Testing product with client and against specification. Suggesting how to improve it.

**Make:**  
Use a wide range of skills, materials and processes to develop your unique product.

**Testing and Prototyping:**  
Use a materials to make a scale model in order to test and redesign using iterative process.

**Design:**  
Using existing skills orthographic, isometric, and 1-point perspective to develop design ideas and researching their wants and needs including anthropometrics.

**Client Wants and Needs:**  
Identifying a relevant client and needs including anthropometrics.

**The Work of Others:**  
Investigating the work of other iconic designers inline with GCSE requirements

**Material Processes:**  
Researching material processes to be able to link materials and methods of manufacture like injection and blow molding.

**Design Contexts:**  
Taking what we learnt in year 8 and applying it to an open brief.

**KS4**

**YEAR 10**

**Design and Make**

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**Independent Research**

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**Brief and Specification:**  
Learning to write individual design briefs and specification points to help us design with purpose.

**Product Analysis:**  
Researching the work of other designers to inspire own design ideas.

**Designing:**  
Revisiting 3D drawing techniques and developing 2D by looking at orthographic projection.

**Make:**  
Develop use of hand tools and experience a range of materials, boards, papers, polymers and timbers.

**Evaluate:**  
Evaluating developed skills? Testing product and suggesting how to improve it.

**Crumble:**  
Looking at electronic circuits. Building initial knowledge of programmable / non-programmable components.

**A Safe and Comfortable Home**

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**Passive Amp Project**

**Sustainable Materials:**  
Linking knowledge of sustainability to material choice.

**Material Properties:**  
Revisiting properties of materials and building on existing knowledge, looking at stock forms to make informed choices.

**Sustainability:**  
Recapping the 6R's? Researching sustainability issues in the media.

**Design Contexts:**  
Investigate what a design context is and analyse 'Working Towards A Sustainable Future.'

**Working Towards A Sustainable Future**

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**Materials:**  
Investigating polymers, looking at types and categories, Thermo-Forming and Thermo-Setting

**Traditional Methods:**  
Looking at the advantages and disadvantages of traditional methods vs CAD/CAM

**The Work of Others:**  
Analysing existing products using ACCESS FM

**Introduction to 1 Point Perspective:**  
Learn the principals of 3D drawing.

**Introduction to Isometric:**  
Develop 3D drawing techniques on an isometric grid.

**Make:**  
Using polymers to introduce the safe use of hand tools and machinery.

**Evaluate:**  
What makes a good maze game? How can you improve your skills?

**Iterative Design**  
Redesign of product incorporating improvements.

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**Sustainability:**  
Investigating the 6R's? Looking into being a sustainable designer.

**Design Strategy**

**Maze Game**

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**YEAR 8**

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**Sustainability & Materials**

**CAD CAM**

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**Introduction to the workshop:**  
Focusing on health and Safety in the workshop and looking at risk

**Baseline Assessment:**  
Finding out what DT skills and knowledge are already known.

**KS3**

**Make:**  
Investigating CAM? Use the laser cutter to produce a final product!

**Prototype:**  
Testing products to make sure they work. Then making improvements and modifications.

**Design:**  
Looking at how products are designed and made using computers? Looking at the advantages and disadvantages.

**Introduction to the workshop:**  
Focusing on health and Safety in the workshop and looking at risk

**Baseline Assessment:**  
Finding out what DT skills and knowledge are already known.

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