

## **Subject Report**

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This year has seen a notable expansion of resources in line with the DT and Food Technology scheme of work. Each term, new tools and materials have been thoughtfully selected and integrated into our curriculum to enhance the learning experiences of our children. Whether it's digital design software for DT or adaptive cooking utensils for Food Technology, these investments are designed to empower our children and stimulate creativity, learning, and a passion for these subjects.

Significantly, our Food Technology room has undergone a complete revamp. The update has transformed the space into a functional, sustainable, and fully equipped environment to aid practical learning and exploration. We've been thoroughly impressed with the enhanced engagement levels demonstrated by our children since the upgrade.

This updated environment has facilitated weekly access to the Food Technology room for all classes, a shift from our previous schedule and post COVID restrictions. This hands-on approach has significantly boosted child engagement and learning outcomes. Children have been enthusiastically concocting a variety of healthy, delicious treats, ranging from garden-fresh salads to whole grain baked goods and nutrient-packed smoothies.

However, our mission extends beyond just creating delicious food. An important part of our scheme of work and ethos is equipping children with vital life skills. Through practical sessions, children learn about planning and preparation, time management, team collaboration, problem-solving, and the importance of nutrition. Our aim is for these skills to transcend the classroom, assisting children in their day-to-day lives and future to come.

Moreover, through the application of the Design Technology curriculum, children are given opportunities to design, create, and evaluate practical solutions to real-world problems. By regularly updating resources and tools in line with the curriculum, we encourage creativity, critical thinking, and innovation among our children. By continuously updating our resources to fit the needs of our children, it allows us to keep constant engagement with exciting innovative learning experiences.

We are exceedingly proud of the achievements our children have made this year in both Design Technology and Food Technology. Their growth and the work they have produced is a testament to their resilience, creativity, and hard work. We are excited to continue supporting them on this journey of learning and discovery in the coming year.

## Evidence of our Creative Children



