



Design Technology

The EYFS framework is structured very differently to the national curriculum as it is organised across seven areas of learning rather than subject areas. The aim of this document is to help subject leaders to understand how the skills taught across EYFS feed into national curriculum subjects.

This document demonstrates which statements from the 2020 Development Matters are prerequisite skills for DT within the national curriculum. The table below outlines the most relevant statements taken from the Early Learning Goals in the EYFS statutory framework and the Development Matters age ranges for Three and Four-Year-Old’s and Reception to match the programme of study for DT.

The most relevant statements for DT are taken from the following areas of learning:

- Physical Development
- Expressive Arts and Design

DT		
Three and Four-Year-Old’s	Personal, Social and Emotional Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Select and use activities and resources, with help when needed. This helps them to achieve a goal they have chosen or one which is suggested to them.
	Physical Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use large-muscle movements to wave flags and streamers, paint and make marks. • Choose the right resources to carry out their own plan. • Use one-handed tools and equipment, for example, making snips in paper with scissors.
	Understanding the World	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explore how things work.
	Expressive Arts and Design	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make imaginative and complex ‘small worlds’ with blocks and construction kits, such as a city with different buildings and a park. • Explore different materials freely, in order to develop their ideas about how to use them and what to make. • Develop their own ideas and then decide which materials to use to express them. • Create closed shapes with continuous lines, and begin to use these shapes to represent objects.



EYFS and Whole School links to the National Curriculum at SSPP

Reception	Physical Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Progress towards a more fluent style of moving, with developing control and grace.• Develop their small motor skills so that they can use a range of tools competently, safely and confidently.• Use their core muscle strength to achieve a good posture when sitting at a table or sitting on the floor.
	Expressive Arts and Design	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Explore, use and refine a variety of artistic effects to express their ideas and feelings.• Return to and build on their previous learning, refining ideas and developing their ability to represent them.• Create collaboratively, sharing ideas, resources and skills.

What this might look like in our school:

A mixture of Adult Led, Small Group and 1:1 work with intentional teaching points during continuous provision.

- Core texts for example Colour Monster, Brown Bear, Brown Bear, We're Going on a Bear Hunt
- Little Movers
- Plan, Do, Review during Continuous Provision
- Accessing Creative Areas and Mark Making
- Participating in Class shows and performances
- Many opportunities to access small and large construction