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Subject	Content
Art	Abstract: Examining artists work in more depth to produce artists inspired work. Developing skills with pencil/watercolour pencils and paint, adding depth and tone. Learning to create successful balanced compositions using weaving technique and press printing (1st attempt at these skills) Looking at multiple viewpoint drawing (helps develop a sense of 3D) Expanding knowledge of art genres and artists techniques
Computing	Hardware and Processing - Memory & Storage How can we build the fastest computer in the world?; Data and Data Representation - SQL How can we keep our digital lives organised? Communication and Networks - Search Engines and Filtering the Web
DT Product Design	Product- Be Seen Project and Headphone holder driving testKnowledge of materials and manufacturing: Using risk assessment tablesAdvanced Hegner saw and sander skills developed while mould makingIntroduction to electronics, learning solderingSublimating and forming thermoplasticsSimple electronic components and their functionsHow the circuit is powered and controlled.
DT Food	Food- Nutrition for LifeKnowledge of materials and manufacturing:Develop a greater knowledge of a wider range of specific nutrients and where they can be found in food. GelatinisationIncrease knowledge of cooking methods — rubbing inMake an increasing complex range of dishesInvestigate the role of different sugars in the sensory analysis of a simple cake recipeWhat is a staple foods. Safe storage of foodKnowledge of design:Draw and label ideas for productsEvaluate using star profiles and a greater range of sensory descriptors
DT Textiles	Textiles- Knowledge of materials and manufacturing:More complex construction techniquesApplying elastic Precision construction and decorative techniquesMore advance decorative techniquesKnowledge of design:Using a theme to inspire designs

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English	Shakespeare – Much Ado About Nothing 1: Understanding Context 5: Crafting language 6: SPaG
French	Module 2: J'adore les fêtes Celebrations
German	Stimmet , Unit 2, Bist du ein Medienfan? - Media
Geography	How are humans affecting the earth and each other? What can we do about it? Hazardous Humans
History	the development of Church, state and society in Britain 1509-1745 - How did society and state change and develop under the Tudors? 1485-1603 BV = Democracy
Maths	Representations: Working in the Cartesian Plane, Working in the Cartesian Plane, Tables and Probability, Representing Data (bivariate)
Music	World Music - Pentatonic scale Traditional Chinese instruments Textures & Structures Composition in Ternary or Rondo form Appraisal (listening with understanding) Music from India & West Africa
PE	Acquiring knowledge, Skill development, Decisions Hockey, Fitness, Football, Badminton, Netball & Dance.
RE	Visions, Values and Purpose - MLK vision, MLK Civil Rights, Tutu 1, Tutu 2, Yusuf Islam
Science	Digestion and Absorption : Organs of the digestive system, Absorption, 1. Planning investigations 2. Analysing investigations
	Atoms, Elements and Compounds: Relative Formula Mass, Percentage by Mass, Scientific Investigation (density), Halogens / alkali metals
	Sound: Different mediums The speed of sound - Practical, Reducing noise, Ultrasound

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The uses of ultrasound, Planning and analysing
observations