St Paul's C of E VA Primary and Nursery School

Textiles	Year 3 and 4	Subject: DT

Health and Safety

- Tie long hair back.
- Move calmly and safely around the classroom to avoid accidents when people are holding sharp objects.
- If you have to walk about with scissors hold the closed blades together pointing downwards.
- When you're using a needle, keep your fingers well clear of the point. Do you need a thimble?
- When you aren't using a needle, keep it in the same safe place so you don't lose it.
- Clear up properly after yourself.

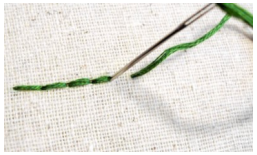


Sewing Skills



There are many different stitches which can join textiles together and they're all good for different reasons.



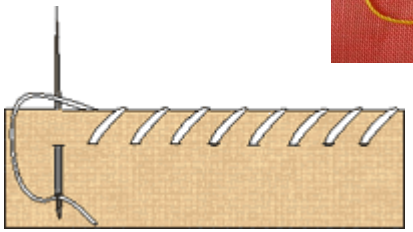


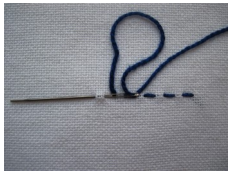
Back Stitch is a strong and secure stitch done by doubling back so there are no gaps.

Blanket Stitch is popular because it looks so smart. Also, it reinforces the edge of thick materials.



The **over sew stitch** involves sewing over the edge of the fabric to neaten a **raw edge.**





Running stitch is the easiest and fastest stitch which creates a line of dashes. Remember to leave a gap between each stitch.

Design, make, evaluate.

Designing is all about using your creativity to solve problems and make choices.

If you're making a Christmas decoration...

What fabric would be good?

What shape will you choose?

How will you join it together so the stuffing doesn't pop out?

How will you make it attractive and seasonal?

How will you attach it to the Christmas tree?

How can you make sure it lasts so it can be used again next year?

