

St. Mark's CE Primary School



Computing

Curriculum Map 2023-2024

Progression in Computing





Computing programme of study: Key stages 1 and 2

A high-quality computing education equips pupils to use computational thinking and creativity to understand and change the world. Computing has deep links with mathematics, science, and design and technology, and provides insights into both natural and artificial systems. The core of computing is computer science, in which pupils are taught the principles of information and computation, how digital systems work, and how to put this knowledge to use through programming.

Building on this knowledge and understanding, pupils are equipped to use information technology to create programs, systems and a range of content. Computing also ensures that pupils become digitally literate – able to use, and express themselves and develop their ideas through, information and communication technology – at a level suitable for the future workplace and as active participants in a digital world.

Aims:

The national curriculum for computing aims to ensure that all pupils:

- can understand and apply the fundamental principles and concepts of computer science, including abstraction, logic, algorithms and data representation
- can analyse problems in computational terms, and have repeated practical experience of writing computer programs in order to solve such problem
- can evaluate and apply information technology, including new or unfamiliar technologies, analytically to solve problems
- are responsible, competent, confident and creative users of information and communication technology.

The school curriculum for Computing is divided into 4 different and discrete topics.

- 1. Digital Literacy
- 2. Online Safety
- 3. Programming (Coding)
- 4. Understanding Technology

The following curriculum map integrates the National Curriculum, the Cambridgeshire Capability Statements, Project Evolve 'I cans' and the Key Learning Intentions built within Purple Mash.



Theme Overview: Digital Literacy

Digital Literacy is the ability to effectively and critically navigate, find, evaluate, summarise, use, create and communicate information using a range of digital technologies. It deals with the appropriate use of technology generated words, images, sounds and motion. Developing digital literacy is increasingly important because it supports learners to be confident and competent in their use of technology in a wide variety of contexts. The inter-related components of digital literacy can and should be developed alongside subject specific knowledge and understanding.

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| National Curriculum | Use technology purposition of the second seco | sefully to create, organise, retrieve digital content | Use search technologies digital content Select, use and combine range of programs, syste presenting data and infor | effectively, appreciate how results a variety of software (including inte ms and content that accomplish gi mation | are selected and ranked, and be dis ernet services) on a range of digital c ven goals, including collecting, analy | cerning in evaluating levices to design and create a sing, evaluating and |
| Capability Statements | With adult guidance, pupils use enhance and present their lear computing lessons and cross c able to: enquire with purpose, a such as text, still and n audio collect data (e.g. numeric which they are able to ret graphs, tables and charts present and communicate variety of ways using text including combining 2 or r | a range of technology to ning. Within both specific urricular contexts, pupils are accessing digital content noving images, video and al, research facts etc.) rieve, store and present as a their learning to others in a , still images, video and audio, more of these mediums | With increasing levels of autonom confident and creative users of te Within both specific computing lest contexts, pupils are able to: follow and expand on agreed words and phrases to effect as text, still images, video an identify, collect and manipula numerical, research facts eta information, showing a great audience. present and communicate th of ways using text, still image combine digital tools to achi carefully about the impact or set and the imp | ay, pupils are becoming chnology. ssons and cross curricular I lines of enquiry, using key vely access digital content such ad audio ate different types of data (e.g. c.) which they present as ter awareness of purpose and eir learning to others in a variety es, video and audio. They eve specific goals and think n their audience. | Pupils are confident, capable and of technology. Within both specific computing less contexts, pupils are able to: create and effectively follow If their learning, and are discerning they encounter identify, collect and analyse dinumerical, words, images, vio and re-present as information purposes. select and make effective uidigital artefacts both under choosing; decide on the most appropriat learning - thinking about aest impact on the user, and responses. | creative users of sons and cross curricular ines of enquiry to support ning in evaluating digital ifferent types of data (e.g. leo etc.) which they manipulate n for a variety of audiences and use of digital tools to create instruction and of their own te way to present their chetics, functionality and onding appropriately. |

More specific guidance for individual year group teachers can be found in the phase overviews at <u>www.ccc-computing.org.uk</u>



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| | Pupils explore and navigate around ad appropriate website which includes tex video. Relate what they have found out. | ult chosen / age t / images / sounds / | Pupils can navigate with purpose a small, chosen collection of age / interest appropriate texts and websites to read , discover and follow widening lines of enquiry . | | | Pupils select suitable search terms and use to follow own areas of interest filtering to show, access and garner information from a range of media sources . | |
| esearch | They begin to conduct specific key word searches using a child friendly search engine to locate exact information in text / images / sounds / video with the intention of answering simple / closed questions . | | They conduct searches and compare results from child friendly search engines to locate precise facts and demonstrate comprehension. They identify suitable key words and phrases to use in own lines of enguiry. | | They start to cross-reference information. They q uestion and seek to verify and determine accuracy including identification of source . | | |
| £ | | | | | | They create fact-files, agr advance and then using a audio, video and books) to check its validity . | reeing the information they need in a variety of sources (including text, a track that information down and |
| Data Handling (taken from National Curriculum for Maths) | Interpret and construct simple pictograms, tally charts, block diagrams and simple tables. Ask and answer simple questions by counting the number of objects in each category and sorting the categories by quantity. Ask and answer questions about totalling and comparing categorical data. They know what a spreadsheet program looks like, and are able to enter data into spreadsheet cells. | Interpret and present dat. charts , pictograms and t Solve one-step and two-s questions [for example, 'I- more?' and 'How many few information presented in charts and pictograms and When using a spreadshee are able to use the totalli Children are able to use t more than , less than and to compare values. Children begin to learn ab references . | a using bar ables step How many wer?'] using scaled bar nd tables. et, children ing tools. the symbols d equal to, bout cell | Interpret and present discrete and continuous data using appropriate graphical methods, including bar charts and time graphs . Solve comparison, sum and difference problems using information presented in bar charts , pictograms , tables and other graphs . Children add a formula to a cell to automatically make a calculation in that cell. Within the spreadsheet, children format cells as currency , percentage , decimal to different decimal places or fraction , and calculate averages using the formulae. | Solve comp difference p information graph. Com information timetables. Children use spreadshee mimicking r problems/s They are abl that use tex Children lea information create a dat topic. | arison, sum and problems using presented in a line plete, read and interpret in tables , including e formulae within a t more efficiently , real-life scenarios. le to create formulae ct variables . arn how to search for in a database , and tabase around a chosen | Interpret and construct pie charts and line graphs and use these to solve problems. Calculate and interpret the mean as an average . Children begin to use a spreadsheet to investigate probability, using the formulae to calculate averages , including mean , median and mode . Children are able to use data formulae for percentages and max and min numbers. They use a spreadsheet to calculate the discount and final prices in a sale |



| Presentations | Pupils use Microsoft's Photostory, 2Publish, and apps such as Puppet Pals and Book Creator (often selected by an adult) to mix together different media (such as text and images) to present what they have learned and plan and share their ideas with others . They are able to create a photo slideshow - adding text or sound to their photos and choosing transitions with an adult. Using tablets with them on a school trip, children record images and sounds and then use a digital book creator to create a class book back in the classroom. | When presenting what they have learned, pupils use a wider range of tools: comic strips, desktop publishers, animation tools etc. to combine text, images, video and audio within a presentation – i.e., MS PowerPoint. They use a digital book creator to make an e-book, including their own artwork, text and a sound recording. They use a comic strip designer to record a decomposition and then use this to write their recount of the experience. | They now use digital tools much more confidently, choosing just the right tool for the job. They can, for example, create a range of content using a video editor and then combine content using Augmented reality or multimedia tools. They create a village or school trail or use these tools to bring a historical event to life . They can confidently move between different apps and programs to create content. |
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| Communicating (Must be linked with work on Online-Safety – Project evolve) | Pupils send simple messages to others in their class / year group through a monitored messaging tool. They actively participate when the teacher models communicating through, for example, video conferencing tools such as E2BN's Flash meeting. Pupils begin to use messaging tools to ask questions more purposefully , making sure messages are clear and appropriate. They know what to do if something they receive upsets them. Children practise typing with the left and right hand. | Pupils widen the range of messaging tools they use to include, for example, discussion forums and blogs. They write about something exciting or interesting which has happened recently (such as a current news event or a visitor into school), keeping personal information private. Within this, children understand how font size and style can affect the impact of a text. They understand how to write a blog and a blog post and consider the effect upon the audience of changing the visual properties of the blog. | Pupils should be much more confident now at choosing the right tool for the job. They send and receive attachments via email / messaging tools. They use blogs, forums and other collaborative tools to communicate safely and respectfully using a wider range of media e.g. pictures, video, audio (see '<i>Presentations</i>'). Pupils communicate appropriately in spaces within and beyond school systems (e.g. in the Scratch community) and show an excellent understanding of how to do this safely and responsibly. Pupils maintain a blog more frequently, perhaps to present their learning or share something they're personally interested in such as a favourite sport, pet or TV programme. They comment appropriately on other people's blogs and contribute to class discussions via forums / noticeboards / collaborative tools. |
| Audio | Pupils learn how to make simple audio equipment work . They begin to listen to and learn from sounds embedded in audio books, websites, sound buttons and other tools. Pupils make their own recordings using digital devices (microphones, tablets, talking postcards etc.) and use these recordings purposefully . | Pupils download, create and record sounds and begin to combine, edit and present them. This includes learning to, for example, delete unwanted sections of audio, or combine multiple recordings to create one longer piece. They begin to understand the impact different types of music can have on an audience and think about what effect they want to achieve when recording or downloading music. | Pupils confidently choose when to use audio to enhance their work or present their learning. They learn how to digitally manipulate audio to create a desired effect, including editing unwanted sections of a recording, copying and pasting sections and digitally manipulating volume. They use a selection of apps / tools to create and record their own music tracks and embed them into other projects such as presentations or films. |

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| Making | With adult support, pupils create films from still photos , choosing preferred transition and similar basic visual effects . They contribute to discussions about the choice of audio to accompany a film and can talk about how different pieces of | Pupils begin to understand the grammar of film such as how different camera distances and angles can have different impacts on the audience . They apply what they have learned about the impact on the audience of different types of music or sound effects and can | Pupils combine a range of known film making techniques confidently and creatively to achieve a specific goal. They think carefully about the intended effect of their choices on their audience and reflect on whether the desired effect has |
| Film M | They use basic film making techniques to retell familiar stories or those developed as part of a class / group. This includes both live action filming and stop-motion animation . | digitally create, record and manipulate audio accordingly. Pupils can edit sections of film (live or animated) together , trimming and adding visual effects or transitions to create a desired effect. | been achieved, refining their work where appropriate. They use editing techniques creatively and can confidently use a combination of visual and audio effects in their films |
| -t on in Mark :nts also | Pupils progress from the approach in EYFS where they will be encouraged to discover and explore what their fingers can do | Pupils demonstrate an expanding repertoire of experiments with digital tools exploring shade , shape , pattern , screen effects , marks and lines . | Pupils plan and develop , in a sustained way, ideas with shade , shape, pattern, screen effects, marks and lines into some finished works of art. |
| ital A rogress ner elem apply) | about what they have done. | They can use what they have learned to respond to specific tasks , such as creating firework picture. | Show the influence of screen drafts/ jottings to tangible works of art. |
| Digi Example of p Making - oth | Pupils experiment with how to create a range of effects – shades, patterns and results using different eTools . | They make effective use of known techniques to create an intended artefact, reflecting on and refining their work as appropriate. | Pupils can explain what works well digitally , what doesn't and how technology can support artistic development. |
|) | Where practical, it would be good practic | e to mirror screen based experimentations with <i>tangible</i> attempt | s using comparable techniques and media. |



Theme Overview: Online Safety

"New technologies are integral to the lives of all children, young people and their parents. They inspire children to be creative, communicate and learn. It is essential that children and young people tap into the potential of the digital world if they are to enjoy their childhood and succeed in life. In educating children and young people, we should empower them to learn how to use digital technology responsibly, not simply block what they can access. We must give them the information and skills they need to be digitally literate and savvy users. This enables them to take advantage of the opportunities that new technologies can offer, as well as being able to deal with any risks that arise."

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| National Curriculum | Use technology safely personal information for help and support about content or conta online technologies. | y and respectfully , keeping p rivate ; identify where to go when they have concerns act on the internet or other | Use technology safely, reways to report concerns | espectfully and responsibly; recog about content and contact. | nise acceptable / unacceptable beh | aviour ; identify a range of |
| Capability Statements | Pupils are becoming increasin and conduct benefits and risk and where to go for help and s concerns or feel unsafe , worr They are beginning to develop their own and others' 'identity importance of keeping person seeking permission before sh adult before clicking on pop up boxes. They increasingly use a range communicate safely and resp to positive behaviour in the ph | igly aware of content, contact is, how to manage them safely support when they have ied or upset. a better understanding of (including online), the al information private and of haring. They check with an bs, notifications or dialogue of digital devices to hectfully online, making links ysical world. | Pupils are able to identify a range benefits and risks, describe how i respectfully and know where to g they have concerns. They can explain what is meant b represented differently in differer might mis-represent their identi understanding of ' trust ' and the ir what is shared online and of givin Pupils can describe positive and activity / behaviours and begin to and healthier decisions , includin appropriateness of games and on Pupils can describe positive ways others online and understand how how others perceive them. | e of content, contact and conduct to manage them safely and go for help and support when y ' identity' , how this might be nt situations and why others ty . They develop their mportance of being careful about ag and gaining consent. negative effects of online o understand how to make safer g considering the lline content for different ages. s for someone to interact with w this will positively impact on | Pupils identify and manage the be online activities in terms of conten ensure they are safe , respectful a know how to report concerns , see others and persist until they get th Pupils make responsible choices and consider the potential impact of They understand that online identit and some of the possible implication They can describe times when they personal information (including pa of seeking permission and the need They can describe ways technology others' physical and mental wellb understand their responsibilities i a range of positive strategies to lin technology and online behaviours. | enefits and risks of a range of at, contact and conduct to nd responsible online. They ek support for themselves and he help they need. about their own online identity of this on their digital footprint. ties can be copied or modified ons of this. y might responsibly share ayment details), the importance ed for strong passwords. y may impact their own and heing (positively and negatively), in regard to this and can suggest nit the negative impact of |
| | The above onlin | ne safety statements have been o More specific quidance for | created with reference to the Cambr r teachers can be found on the Proj | ridgeshire PSHE Digital Lifestyles c ect Evolve Portal, or at <u>ww</u> w.theicts | urriculum (2020) and <u>Education for a</u> | Connected World. |



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| Self-Image and Identity | Children are able to recognise that there may be people online who could make someone feel sad , embarrassed or upset . Children are able to give examples of when and how to speak to an adult Children are able to trust and how they can help . | Children are able to explain how other people may look and act differently online and offline . They give examples of issues online that might make someone feel sad, worried, uncomfortable or frightened . They give examples of how they might get help. | Children are able to explain what is meant by the term ' identity '. Children are able to explain how people can represent themselves in different ways online. They explain ways in which someone might change their identity depending on what they are doing online. | They explain how my online identity can be different to my offline identity. Children are able to describe positive ways for someone to interact with others online and understand how this will positively impact on how others perceive them. They explain that others online can pretend to be someone else, including my friends, and can suggest reasons why they might do this. | They explain how identity online can be copied , modified or altered . Children are able to demonstrate how to make responsible choices about having an online identity, depending on context. | They identify and critically evaluate online content relating to gender, race, religion, disability, culture and other groups, and explain why it is important to challenge and reject inappropriate representations online. Children are able to describe issues online that could make anyone feel sad, worried, uncomfortable or frightened. They explain the importance of asking until I get the help needed. | |
| Online Relationships | Children are able to give examples of when I should ask permission to do something online and explain why this is important . They use the internet with adult support to communicate with people Pupils (e.g. video call apps or services). Children are able to explain why it is important to be considerate and kind to people online and to respect their choices . They explain why things one person finds funny or sad online may not always be seen in the same way by others. | They give examples of how someone might use technology to communicate , and explain why this might be risky . They explain who I should ask before sharing things about myself or others online. They describe different ways to ask for, give , or deny my permission online and can identify who can help me if I am not sure. They identify who can help me if something happens online without my consent . Children are able to explain why I should always ask a trusted adult before clicking 'yes', ' agree' or ' accept' online. | Children are able to describe ways people who have similar likes and interests can get together online. Children are able to explain what it means to 'know someone' online and why this might be different from knowing someone offline. They explain what is meant by 'trusting someone online'. They explain why someone may change their mind about trusting anyone with something. Children are able to explain the importance of giving and gaining permission before sharing things online. | They describe strategies for safe and fun experiences in a range of online social environments . Children are able to give examples of how to be respectful to others online and describe how to recognise healthy and unhealthy online behaviours . They explain how content shared online may feel unimportant to one person but may be important to other people's thoughts feelings and beliefs . | Children are able to give examples of technology - specific forms of communication . They explain that there are some people I communicate with online who may want to do me or my friends harm . They describe some of the ways people may be involved in online communities . Children are able to explain how someone can get help if they are having problems and identify when to tell a trusted adult . They demonstrate how to support others (including those who are having difficulties) online. | Children are able to explain how sharing something online may have an impact either positively or negatively . They describe how to be kind and show respect for others online including the importance of respecting boundaries . They describe how things shared privately online can have unintended consequences for others. They explain that taking or sharing inappropriate images of someone (e.g., embarrassing images), even if they say it is okay, may have an impact for the sharer and others. | |

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| Online Reputation | Children are able to recognise that information can stay online and could be copied. They describe what information I should not put online without asking a trusted adult first. | They explain how information put online about someone can last for a long time. Children are able to describe how anyone's online information could be seen by others. Pupils know who to talk to if something has been put online without consent or if it is incorrect. | They explain how to search for information about others online. They give examples of what anyone may or may not be willing to share about themselves online . Children are able to explain the need to be careful before sharing anything personal . They explain who someone can ask if they are unsure about putting something online. | Children are able to describe how to find out information about others by searching online. They explain ways that some of the information about anyone online could have been created, copied or shared by others. | They search for information about an individual online and summarise the information found. Children are able to describe ways that information about anyone online can be used by others to make judgments about an individual and why these may be incorrect . | They explain the ways in which anyone can develop a positive online reputation . Children are able to explain strategies anyone can use to protect their 'digital personality' and online reputation, including degrees of anonymity . |
| Online Bullying | They describe how to behave online in ways that do not upset others and can give examples. | They explain what bullying is, how people may bully others and how bullying can make someone feel. Children are able to explain why anyone who experiences bullying is not to blame . They talk about how anyone experiencing bullying can get help . | They describe appropriate ways to behave towards other people online and why this is important. They give examples of how bullying behaviour could appear online and how someone can get support . | Children are able to recognise when someone is upset , hurt or angry online. They describe ways people can be bullied through a range of media . Children are able to explain why people need to think carefully about how content they post might affect others. | They recognise online bullying can be different to bullying in the physical world and can describe some of those differences . Children are able to describe how what one person perceives as playful joking and teasing (including ' banter ') might be experienced by others as bullying. They explain how anyone can get help if they are being bullied online and identify when to tell a trusted adult . Children are able to identify a range of ways to report concerns and access support both in school and at home about online bullying. They describe the helpline services which can help people experiencing bullying, and how to access them. | They describe how to capture bullying content as evidence (e.g screen-grab, URL, profile) to share with others who can help me. Children are able to explain how someone would report online bullying in different contexts. They explain how to block abusive users. |



| Managing Online Information | Children are able to give simple examples of how to find information using digital technologies, e.g. search engines, voice activated searching. Pupils / understand that we can encounter a range of things online including things we like and don't like as well as things which are real or make believe / a joke. Pupils how to get help from a trusted adult if we see content that makes us feel sad, uncomfortable, worried or frightened. | They use simple keywords in search engines . Children are able to demonstrate how to navigate a simple webpage to get to information I need. They explain why some information I find online may not be real or true . | They demonstrate how to use key phrases in search engines to gather accurate information online. Children are able to explain the difference between a 'belief', an 'opinion' and a 'fact. and can give examples of how and where they might be shared online. They explain that not all opinions shared may be accepted as true or fair by others. They describe and demonstrate how we can get help from a trusted adult if we see content that makes us feel sad, uncomfortable, worried or frightened. | I understand why it is important to make my own decisions regarding content. Children are able to explain why lots of people sharing the same opinions or beliefs online do not make those opinions or beliefs true. They explain that technology can be designed to act like or impersonate living things. Children are able to explain what is meant by fake news. | They explain what is meant by 'being sceptical'. Children are able to evaluate digital content and can explain how to make choices about what is trustworthy. They explain key concepts including: information, reviews, fact, opinion, belief, validity, reliability and evidence. Children are able to identify ways the internet can draw us to information for different agendas. They describe ways of identifying when online content has been commercially sponsored or boosted. Children are able to explain what is meant by a 'hoax'. | Children are able to explain how to use search technologies effectively . They explain how and why some people may present 'opinions' as 'facts'; why the popularity of an opinion or the personalities of those promoting it does not necessarily make it true , fair or perhaps even legal . Children are able to define the terms 'influence', 'manipulation' and 'persuasion' and explain how someone might encounter these online. They describe the difference between online misinformation and dis- information . Children are able to explain why information that is on a large number of sites may still be inaccurate or untrue . They identify , flag and report inappropriate content . |
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| Health, Well-being and Lifestyle | They explain rules to keep myself safe when using technology both in and beyond the home. | Children are able to explain simple guidance for using technology in different environments and settings . They say how those rules / guides can help anyone accessing online technologies. | Children are able to explain why spending too much time using technology can sometimes have a negative impact on anyone. They give some examples of both positive and negative activities where it is easy to spend a lot of time engaged. Children are able to explain why some online activities have age restrictions . | They explain how using technology can be a distraction from other things, in both a positive and negative way . Children are able to identify times or situations when someone may need to limit the amount of time they use technology . | They describe ways technology can affect health and well - being both positively and negatively . Children are able to describe some strategies, tips or advice to promote health and wellbeing with regards to technology . I recognise the benefits and risks of accessing information about health and well-being online and how we should balance this with talking to trusted adults and professionals. They explain how and why some apps and games may request or take payment for additional content . | They describe common systems that regulate age- related content (e.g. PEGI , BBFC , parental warnings) and describe their purpose. I recognise and can discuss the pressures that technology can place on someone and how / when they could manage this. Children are able to recognise features of persuasive design and how they are used to keep users engaged. They assess and action different strategies to limit the impact of technology on health . |



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| | passwords are used to | passwords can be used to | simple strategies for creating | strategies for keeping | password is and demonstrate | people can manage |
| | protect information , | protect information, | and keeping passwords | personal information private , | how to create one. | passwords . |
| Privacy and Security | accounts and devices. They recognise more detailed examples of information that is personal to someone. Children are able to explain why it is important to always ask a trusted adult before sharing any personal information online, belonging to myself or others. | accounts and devices. They explain and give examples of what is meant by ' private' and ' keeping things private' . They describe and explain some rules for keeping personal information private . Children are able to explain how some people may have devices in their homes connected to the internet and give examples | private. Pupils are able to give reasons why someone should only share information with people they choose to and can trust. Children are able to explain that if they are not sure or feel pressured then they should tell a trusted adult. Children describe how connected devices can collect and share anyone's information with others. | depending on context. Children are able to explain that internet use is never fully private and is monitored . Children are able to describe how some online services may seek consent to store information about me. Pupils know what the digital age of consent is. | Children are able to explain how many free apps or services may read and share private information . They explain what app permissions are and can give some examples. | They explain what to do if a password is shared , lost or stolen . They describe ways in which some online content targets people to gain money or information illegally . Pupils that online services have terms and conditions that govern their use. |



Theme Overview: Programming

It's worth noting that computer science aims to cover two distinct, but related, aspects. There's a focus on computer science itself (the ideas and principles that underpin how digital technology works) but this sits alongside the practical experience of programming, almost certainly the best way for primary pupils to learn about computer science.

Computer Science is more than programming, but programming is an absolutely central process for Computer Science. In an educational context, programming encourages creativity, logical thought, precision and problem-solving, and helps foster the personal, learning and thinking skills required in the modern school curriculum. Programming gives concrete, tangible form to the idea of "abstraction", and repeatedly shows how useful it is.

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| Capability Statements | Pupils create, debug and implement instructions (simple algorithms) as programs on a range of digital devices. Pupils understand that digital devices follow precise and unambiguous instructions. Pupils understand that digital devices can simulate real situations. | Pupils understand that algorithms are implemented as programs on digital devices. Pupils create and debug programs to achieve specific goals and understand the importance of sequence. Pupils use the principles of logical reasoning to plan and predict the behaviour of simple programs. Pupils solve problems on and off screen. | Pupils create programs to accomplish specific goals using an increasing range of digital devices and applications . They can decompose programs to test them and understand how making even small changes to an algorithm can have a significant impact on the outcome. They begin using simple repetition (e.g. <i>'repeat x</i> <i>times'</i> and <i>'repeat forever</i>). | Pupils create, deconstruct and refine programs to accomplish specific goals. Pupils understand and use simple selection (e.g. <i>if/then</i> and <i>if/then/else</i>) to create interactive programs based on conditions being met / not met. They begin to use simple operators within their programs. They begin using simple repetition (e.g. <i>'repeat x times'</i> and <i>'repeat forever</i>) and understand how this can be used to improve efficiency in their programs. | Pupils create and debug programs containing simple repetition (e.g. 'repeat x times' and 'repeat forever') as well as more complex repetition (e.g. 'nested loops). They create programs with loops which terminate when conditions are met or continue whilst conditions are present (e.g. 'repeat until' and 'repeat whist). Pupils increasingly use their programming capability to control or simulate a range of different outputs in physical systems. Pupils begin to explore and notice the similarities and differences between programming languages and use this knowledge to help them create and debug programs efficiently. | Pupils create, deconstruct and refine an increasingly complex range of programs to accomplish specific goals. Pupils create programs which store, change and report variables (e.g. scores in a game or time) and can include multiple variables in a single program . Pupils can explain why they have structured algorithms as they have and describe the effect this has on a program . |



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| Creating Algorithms (Coding) | Children are able to understand what instructions are and predict what might happen when they are followed. They use code and are able to make a computer program. Pupils understand what object and actions are. They understand what an event is. Children are able to use an event to control an object. Children are able to begin to understand how code executes when a program is run. Pupils understand what backgrounds and objects are. Children are able to plan and make a computer program. | Children are able to understand what an algorithm is. They create a computer program using an algorithm. Children are able to create a program using a given design. They understand the collision detection event. Children are able to understand that algorithms follow a sequence. Pupils understand how to design an algorithm that follows a timed sequence. Pupils understand that different objects have different properties. Children are able to understand what different events do in code. They understand the function of buttons in a program. They understand and debug simple programs | Children are able to understand what a flowchart is and how flowcharts are used in computer programming. Children are able to understand that there are different types of timers and select the right type for purpose. Pupils understand how to use the repeat command. Children are able to understand the importance of nesting. They design and create an interactive scene. | Children are able to begin to understand selection in computer programming. Pupils understand how an IF statement works. Children are able to understand how to use co- ordinates in computer programming. They understand the 'repeat until' command. Children are able to understand how an IF/ELSE statement works. Pupils understand what a variable is in programming. They use a number variable. Children are able to create or code a playable game. | Pupils understand how to begin to simplify code, using a procedure. They create a playable game. Pupils understand what a simulation is. Children are able to program a simulation using simple code and algorithms. Children are able to know what decomposition and abstraction are in computer science. Pupils understand how to a take a real-life situation, decompose it and think about the level of abstraction. Children are able to understand how to use friction in code. They begin to understand what the different variables types are and how they are used differently. Children are able to understand how to create a string. Pupils understand what concatenation is and how it works. | Children are able to design a playable game with a timer and a score. They plan and use selection and variables. Children are able to understand how the launch command works. Children are able to use functions and understand why they are useful. Children are able to understand why they are useful. Children are able to understand how functions are created and called. Pupils understand how to use flowcharts to create and debug code. Pupils understand how to create a simulation of a room in which devices can be controlled. Pupils understand how user input can be used in a program. Pupils understand how code can be used to make a textadventure game. | |



Theme Overview: Understanding Technology

Children's natural curiosity has always driven them to develop an understanding of the world around them and this is no different when it comes to understanding technology; both how it works and what it can do for us. From their first, early experiences with technology, pupils begin to make sense of how it works and the opportunities it can provide. Throughout their time in primary education, pupils now need to extend that understanding to include computer networks such as the Internet, and the services they can provide such as the World Wide Web. Teachers need to provide practical, fun experiences that allow pupils to make links with their existing understanding of the world around them. In doing so, pupils will ultimately become much more effective creators and users of digital content.

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| National Curriculum | Recognise common us technology beyond sch | ses of information nool | Understand computer neithe opportunities they off | tworks including the internet; how t er for communication and collabora | hey can provide multiple services, s ition | such as the world wide web; and |
| Capability Statements | Pupils recognise and can give examples of common uses of information technology they encounter in their daily routine. | Pupils recognise common uses of information technology beyond school, including those which they don't frequently encounter in their daily routine. Pupils understand that computers are not intelligent but can appear to be when following algorithms. They can share examples of this. | Pupils understand that computers (in various forms) generally accept inputs and produce outputs and can give examples of this. Pupils recognise - and can describe - some of the services offered by the Internet, especially those used for communication and collaboration. | Pupils develop a basic understanding of how computers can be linked to form a local network such as those found in schools. Pupils recognise that there is a difference between the Internet and the World Wide Web . They can recognise and describe some of the services offered by the Internet , especially those used for communication and collaboration. | Pupils know that there is a difference between the Internet and the World Wide Web and understand that the web is just one of the services offered by the Internet (as well as, e.g. email and VoIP services such as Skype). They appreciate how search results are ranked, including an understanding of the use of different algorithms to prioritise results. Pupils understand that the highest- ranking search results may not always be the most relevant. They appraise search results based on their relevance and trustworthiness, and can explain what is meant by 'fake news' | Pupils understand and can explain how computer networks work, including the Internet . They begin to understand how data travels across networks in packets and how these can be broken up and reconstructed. When accessing information online, pupils recognise that opinions may be presented as facts . They can describe why an opinion may easily become popular online but they understand that this doesn't necessarily make it true. They understand that some online content may be commercially sponsored such as adverts in search results or content presented by social media influencers . |

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