

	Autumn	Autumn Term Two	Spring Term	Spring Term	Summer	Summer Term
	Term One		One	Two	Term One	Two
Topic	7.1 Introduction to Computing	7.2 Word Processing Software	7.3 Algorithms 1	7.4 Block base programming	7.5 Spreadsheet Modelling	7.6 Hardware
Key Learning & Skills	Explain the purpose and features of strong passwords. Explain the difference between the home and shared drives in school. Create folder structures to allow for structured and orderly storage of files. Communicate via email using CC, BCC, attachments, importance, flags. Describe the difference between personal and private information. Understand the risks that exist online and how to reduce and respond to them. To be able to explain the 4C's –	 Explain the purpose of various formatting tools. Use headings to format a document with consistency and create contents tables. Make use of headers/footers appropriately. Separate content using bullet points and numbering where appropriate. Use keyboard shortcuts to optimise working. Use images and tables to enhance appearance and readability of documents. 	Describe what computational thinking is, and how it is used to solve problems. Break down problems logically and efficiently and produce useful solutions. Write detailed algorithms. Apply flowcharts to help gather thoughts and apply solutions to problems.	 Explain and perform iteration within a program. Explain and perform selection within a program. Explain and identify when a sequencing is used within a program. Identify what a variable is within a program. Explain what sub-routines are and how to use them. Explain what operators are and how to use them. 	Identify a cell's location using cell referencing. Identify a group of cells using a range. Format and structure data as appropriate in a spreadsheet. Use formulae to perform calculations. Use conditional formatting to format certain elements based on a condition. Sort and search for data within a spreadsheet. Use graphs and charts to display data in a userfriendly visual format.	Define the term peripheral, understanding the difference between input, output, and storage peripherals. Identify the purpose of hardware devices that exist within a computer system. Explain how certain devices can be used by less able users to assist with their day-to-day lives. Explain why binary numbers are used by computers. Convert between binary and denary representation of numbers. Categorise software based on its purpose (applications vs systems software)

	Content, Contact, Conduct and Commerce. To know and understand the potential risks and danger of using the internet and know how to report any concern. Explain what a digital footprint is and how it can be contributed to. To explain what cyber bullying is, its effects and how to report it.	Online assessment	Online assessment	Online assessment	Online assessment	Online assessment
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Key Stage 2

No prior learning is assumed due to variation of teaching amongst primary schools. Desirable prior learning is listed below:

Digital Literacy

- Evaluate digital content.
- Recognise common uses of technology.
- Understand how to seek help online, recognising acceptable and unacceptable behaviour and the reasons why age restrictions are in place.

Information technology

- Creating, opening, saving files within a folder structure
- Basic proficiency in the use of office software
- Use the internet to retrieve and search for information.
- Be able to use a range of software to present data and information in a suitable format.

Computer Science

- Key programming concepts including sequence, selection, iteration, inputs and outputs.
- Design, write and debug programs to achieve a specific goal.
- Writing of simple algorithms
- The use of constant and variable values
- Understand the concept of networking and communication to provide services such as the worldwide web

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Topic	8.1 E-safety & Cyber Security	8.2 Representing Data	8.2 Representing Data (Cont.)	8.3 Algorithms 2	8.4 Python 1	8.4 Python 1 (cont.)
Key Learning & Skills	Builds on unit 7.1 Recognise the safety related risks when communicating online. Explain how to practice respectful communication when online. Recognise how to distinguish between real and fake news using a range of sources. Explain the differences between types of malwares. Describe threats other than malware that could compromise a computer system. Explain the different methods of protecting a computer system from malware and other threats. Explain the role and purpose of encryption. Perform the	 Explain why binary numbers are used by computers. Convert between binary and denary representation of numbers. To perform binary addition on 2 8-bit binary numbers. Explain what an overflow error is and when it occurs. Explain the need for hexadecimal numbers. Convert between hexadecimal, binary and denary numbers. 	 Explains how images & sound are stored in a computer system and the factors that affect quality and file size. Explain the purpose of character sets in a computer system. Compare and contrast ASCII and UNICODE. Explain why UNICODE replaced ASCII in modern computer systems. To perform the AND, OR and NOT gates. 	 Perform bubble, insertion and merge sorts on data. Compare sorting algorithms; justifying which ones are best used in certain situations. Design algorithms using basic pseudocode and flowcharts Design algorithms which incorporate sequence, selection and iteration. 	Create programs problems in a text-blanguage. Use variables and user entry and store in a program. Output data to the print. Describe the diffe data types (Integer, lendentify the correct be used for a varial Plan, design and programs which so mathematical problems. Recognise errors code and correct the Recognise Iteration for and while loop. Recognise selection (if second and correct the Recognise selection). Recognise selection (if second and correct the Recognise selection). Recognise selection (if second and while loop. Recognise selection and when the Recognise sequence program?	rence between place to data type to bele. create live lems. tatements) to to run based on when running lem. on is and using on within a to use it. encing within a



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Topic	9.1 – Python 2	9.2 Business Unit	9.3 Interactive product	9.4 – Networking	9.5 Graphic unit	9.6 – Website development
Key Learning & Skills	Explain key features of IDEs which benefit programmers. To use iteration to solve a variety of problems in Python. To create programs which use iteration (For & while loops) to improve code efficiency. Use if statements to create branching paths in your programs. To explain how subroutines make code easier to create and improve efficiency. To explain the difference between functions and procedures and use return values to improve programs. To be able to manipulate data from a list.	 To be able to identify key business studies concepts. Finding the needs of customers and demonstrating how a business fulfils those needs to increase sales. To be able to perform marketing research i.e the process of collecting, analysing and interpreting data. To explain the difference between primary and secondary research. Name the market segmentation and explain each segment. Explain what customer profile is and why it is important in business. To explain different types of sampling methods and to identify them. Explain what target market, qualitative, quantitative data is. To be able to explain what competition is in a business setting. To collect all the necessary research in order to create a business for a specific target audience. 	To create a multimedia presentation to a specific target audience relating to unit 9.2. To be able to create, duplicated, and deleted slides in a presentation. Have applied themes to presentations. Have edited the layout and formatting of the master slide in a presentation. Have identified features of well-designed slides in a presentation. Have developed a suitable master slide for a given purpose. Have applied transitions between slides in a presentation. Have applied entrance, emphasis and exit animations to content in a presentation. Incorporated multimedia elements into the presentation Used hyperlinks to create links between slides in the presentation.	 Explain the difference between the internet and the WWW. Explain how networks are categorised by scale (PAN, LAN, WAN, WLAN) Explain the purpose and role of key hardware when building a network (NIC, WAP, Switch, Router, Ethernet, Client, Server) Explain what a network topology is and the advantages and disadvantages and disadvantages of each. To compare connection methods and explain how they are currently evolving (Coaxial cable, fibre optic cable, FTTC, FTTP, ADSL) To explain the purpose of key protocols (HTTP, HTTPS, FTP, DNS, SMTP, IMAP). 	 Explain the difference between bitmap and vector graphic. Explain the purpose and dangers of editing images. To use various tools to combine images. To explain how various tools can be used to enhance colour in an image. To export files to appropriate file types based on their use. 	 Explain the features of a well-designed website. Explain what a house style is and how it can be tailored to a brand. To create basic HTML pages including the use of head, body, headings, hyperlinks, listed elements. Explain the purpose of and implement CSS to a webpage.



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