

## Computing Curriculum 2024-2025

## NATIONAL CURRICULUM PROGRAMME OF STUDY

## KS1 National Curriculum Expectations

Pupils should be taught to:

- understand what algorithms are; how they are implemented as programs on digital devices; and that programs execute by following precise and unambiguous instructions
- create and debug simple programs
- use logical reasoning to predict the behaviour of simple programs
- use technology purposefully to create, organise, store, manipulate and retrieve digital content
- recognise common uses of information technology beyond school
- use technology safely and respectfully, keeping personal information private; identify where to go for help and support when they have concerns about content or contact on the internet or other online technologies.

## KS2 National Curriculum Expectations

Pupils should be taught to:

- design, write and debug programs that accomplish specific goals, including controlling or simulating physical systems; solve problems by decomposing them into smaller parts
- use sequence, selection, and repetition in programs; work with variables and various forms of input and output
- use logical reasoning to explain how some simple algorithms work and to detect and correct errors in algorithms and programs
- understand computer networks including the internet; how they can provide multiple services, such as the world wide web; and the opportunities they offer for communication and collaboration
- use search technologies effectively, appreciate how results are selected and ranked, and be discerning in evaluating digital content
- select, use and combine a variety of software (including internet services) on a range of digital devices to design and create a range of programs, systems and content that accomplish given goals, including collecting, analysing, evaluating and presenting data and information
- use technology safely, respectfully and responsibly; recognise acceptable/unacceptable behaviour; identify a range of ways to report concerns about content and contact.

Year 1	Term 1	Term 2
	Computing Systems and Networks-	Creating Media-
Autumn	Technology Around Us	Digital Painting
	To identify technology	<ul> <li>To describe what different freehand tools do</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To identify a computer and its main parts</li> </ul>	• To use the shape tool and the line tools
	To use a mouse in different ways	To make careful choices when painting a digital picture
	<ul> <li>To use a keyboard to type on a computer</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To explain why I chose the tools I used</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To use the keyboard to edit text</li> </ul>	To use a computer on my own to paint a picture
	To create rules for using technology responsibly	• To compare painting a picture on a computer and on paper
	Programming A-	Data Information-
Spring	Moving a Robot	Grouping Data
	<ul> <li>To explain what a given command will do</li> </ul>	To label objects
	<ul> <li>To act out a given word</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To identify that objects can be counted</li> </ul>
	To combine forwards and backwards commands to make	To describe objects in different ways
	a sequence	<ul> <li>To count objects with the same properties</li> </ul>
	To combine four direction commands to make sequences	<ul> <li>To compare groups of objects</li> </ul>
	To plan a simple program	<ul> <li>To answer questions about groups of objects</li> </ul>
	• To find more than one solution to a problem	
	Creating Media-	Programming B-
Summer	Digital Writing	Programming Animations
	To use a computer to write	<ul> <li>To choose a command for a given purpose</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To add and remove text on a computer</li> </ul>	To show that a series of commands can be joined together
	<ul> <li>To identify that the look of text can be changed on a</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To identify the effect of changing a value</li> </ul>
	computer	<ul> <li>To explain that each sprite has its own instructions</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To make careful choices when changing text</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To design the parts of a project</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To explain why I used the tools that I chose</li> </ul>	To use my algorithm to create a program
	• To compare typing on a computer to writing on paper	

Year 2	Term 1	Term 2
	Computing Systems and Networks-	Creating Media-
Autumn	IT Around Us	Digital Photography
	<ul> <li>To recognise the uses and features of information</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To use a digital device to take a photograph</li> </ul>
	technology	<ul> <li>To make choices when taking a photograph</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To identify the uses of information technology in the</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To describe what makes a good photograph</li> </ul>
	school	<ul> <li>To decide how photographs can be improved</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To identify information technology beyond school</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To use tools to change an image</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To explain how information technology helps us</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To recognise that photos can be changed</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To explain how to use information technology safely</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>To recognise that choices are made when using</li> </ul>	
	information technology	
	Programming A-	Data Information-
Spring	Robot Algorithms	Pictograms
-	<ul> <li>To describe a series of instructions as a sequence</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To recognise that we can count and compare objects using</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To explain what happens when we change the order of</li> </ul>	tally charts
	instructions	<ul> <li>To recognise that objects can be represented as pictures</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To use logical reasoning to predict the outcome of a</li> </ul>	To create a pictogram
	program	<ul> <li>To select objects by attribute and make comparisons</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To explain that programming projects can have code and</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To recognise that people can be described by attributes</li> </ul>
	artwork	<ul> <li>To explain that we can present information using a</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To design an algorithm</li> </ul>	computer
	<ul> <li>To create and debug a program that I have written</li> </ul>	
	Creating Media-	Programming B-
Summer	Digital Music	Programming Quizzes
	<ul> <li>To say how music can make us feel</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To explain that a sequence of commands has a start</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To identify that there are patterns in music</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To explain that a sequence of commands has an outcome</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To experiment with sound using a computer</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To create a program using a given design</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To use a computer to create a musical pattern</li> </ul>	To change a given design
	To create music for a purpose	<ul> <li>To create a program using my own design</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To review and refine our computer work</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To decide how my project can be improved</li> </ul>

Year 3	Term 1	Term 2
	Computing Systems and Networks-	Creating Media-
Autumn	Connecting Computers	Stop-Frame Animation
	To explain how digital devices function	<ul> <li>To explain that animation is a sequence of drawings or</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To identify input and output devices</li> </ul>	photographs
	• To recognise how digital devices can change the way we	• To relate animated movement with a sequence of images
	work	To plan an animation
	• To explain how a computer network can be used to share	<ul> <li>To identify the need to work consistently and carefully</li> </ul>
	information	<ul> <li>To review and improve an animation</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To explore how digital devices can be connected</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To evaluate the impact of adding other media to an</li> </ul>
	• To recognise the physical components of a network	animation
	Programming A-	Data Information-
Spring	Sequencing Sounds	Branching Databases
	To explore a new programming environment	<ul> <li>To create questions with yes/no answers</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To identify that commands have an outcome</li> </ul>	• To identify the attributes needed to collect data about an
	<ul> <li>To explain that a program has a start</li> </ul>	object
	• To recognise that a sequence of commands can have an	<ul> <li>To create a branching database</li> </ul>
	order	<ul> <li>To explain why it is helpful for a database to be well</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To change the appearance of my project</li> </ul>	structured
	<ul> <li>To create a project from a task description</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To plan the structure of a branching database</li> </ul>
		To independently create an identification tool
	Creating Media-	Programming B-
Summer	Desktop Publishing	Events and Actions in Programs
	<ul> <li>To recognise how text and images convey information</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To explain how a sprite moves in an existing project</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To recognise that text and layout can be edited</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To create a program to move a sprite in four directions</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To choose appropriate page settings</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To adapt a program to a new context</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To add content to a desktop publishing publication</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To develop my program by adding features</li> </ul>
	To consider how different layouts can suit different	<ul> <li>To identify and fix bugs in a program</li> </ul>
	purposes	<ul> <li>To design and create a maze-based challenge</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To consider the benefits of desktop publishing</li> </ul>	

Year 4	Term 1	Term 2
	Computing Systems and Networks-	Creating Media-
Autumn	The Internet	Audio Production
	<ul> <li>To describe how networks physically connect to other</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To identify that sound can be recorded</li> </ul>
	networks	<ul> <li>To explain that audio recordings can be edited</li> </ul>
	To recognise how networked devices make up the internet	<ul> <li>To recognise the different parts of creating a podcast</li> </ul>
	To outline how websites can be shared via the World Wide	project
	Web (WWW)	<ul> <li>To apply audio editing skills independently</li> </ul>
	To describe how content can be added and accessed on the	<ul> <li>To combine audio to enhance my podcast project</li> </ul>
	World Wide Web (WWW)	To evaluate the effective use of audio
	<ul> <li>To recognise how the content of the WWW is created by</li> </ul>	
	people	
	To evaluate the consequences of unreliable content	
	Programming A-	Data Information-
Spring	Repetition in Shapes	Data Logging
	<ul> <li>To identify that accuracy in programming is important</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To explain that data gathered over time can be used to</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To create a program in a text-based language</li> </ul>	answer questions
	<ul> <li>To explain what 'repeat' means</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To use a digital device to collect data automatically</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To modify a count-controlled loop to produce a given</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To explain that a data logger collects 'data points' from</li> </ul>
	outcome	sensors over time
	<ul> <li>To decompose a task into small steps</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To recognise how a computer can help us analyse data</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To create a program that uses count-controlled loops to</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To identify the data needed to answer questions</li> </ul>
	produce a given outcome	<ul> <li>To use data from sensors to answer questions</li> </ul>
	Creating Media-	Programming B-
Summer	Photo Editing	Repetition in Games
	<ul> <li>To explain that the composition of digital images can be</li> </ul>	To develop the use of count-controlled loops in a different
	changed	programming environment
	<ul> <li>To explain that colours can be changed in digital images</li> </ul>	To explain that in programming there are infinite loops and
	<ul> <li>To explain how cloning can be used in photo editing</li> </ul>	count controlled loops
	<ul> <li>To explain that images can be combined</li> </ul>	To develop a design that includes two or more loops which
	<ul> <li>To combine images for a purpose</li> </ul>	run at the same time
	<ul> <li>To evaluate how changes can improve an image</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To modify an infinite loop in a given program</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>To design a project that includes repetition</li> </ul>
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Year 5	Term 1	Term 2
	Computing Systems and Networks-	Creating Media-
Autumn	Systems and Searching	Video Production
	<ul> <li>To explain that computers can be connected together to</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To explain what makes a video effective</li> </ul>
	form systems	<ul> <li>To identify digital devices that can record video</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To recognise the role of computer systems in our lives</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To capture video using a range of techniques</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To experiment with search engines</li> </ul>	To create a storyboard
	<ul> <li>To describe how search engines select results</li> </ul>	• To identify that video can be improved through reshooting
	<ul> <li>To explain how search results are ranked</li> </ul>	and editing
	• To recognise why the order of results is important, and to	• To consider the impact of the choices made when making
	whom	and sharing a video
	Programming A-	Data Information-
Spring	Selection in Physical Computing	Fact-file Databases
	<ul> <li>To control a simple circuit connected to a computer</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To use a form to record information</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To write a program that includes count-controlled loops</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To compare paper and computer-based databases</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To explain that a loop can stop when a condition is met</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To outline how you can answer questions by grouping and</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To explain that a loop can be used to repeatedly check</li> </ul>	then sorting data
	whether a condition has been met	<ul> <li>To explain that tools can be used to select specific data</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To design a physical project that includes selection</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To explain that computer programs can be used to</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To create a program that controls a physical computing</li> </ul>	compare data visually
	project	• To use a real-world database to answer questions
	Creating Media-	Programming B-
Summer	Introduction to Vector Graphics	Selection in Quizzes
	<ul> <li>To identify that drawing tools can be used to produce</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To explain how selection is used in computer programs</li> </ul>
	different outcomes	• To relate that a conditional statement connects a condition
	<ul> <li>To create a vector drawing by combining shapes</li> </ul>	to an outcome
	<ul> <li>To use tools to achieve a desired effect</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To explain how selection directs the flow of a program</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To recognise that vector drawings consist of layers</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To design a program which uses selection</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To group objects to make them easier to work with</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To create a program which uses selection</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To apply what I have learned about vector drawings</li> </ul>	To evaluate my program

Year 6	Term 1	Term 2
	Computing Systems and Networks-	Creating Media-
Autumn	Communication and Collaboration	Web Page Creation
	<ul> <li>To explain the importance of internet addresses</li> </ul>	To review an existing website and consider its structure
	• To recognise how data is transferred across the internet	• To plan the features of a web page
	To explain how sharing information online can help	<ul> <li>To consider the ownership and use of images (copyright)</li> </ul>
	people to work together	<ul> <li>To recognise the need to preview pages</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To evaluate different ways of working together online</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To outline the need for a navigation path</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To recognise how we communicate using technology</li> </ul>	• To recognise the implications of linking to content owned by
	To evaluate different methods of online communication	other people
	Programming A-	Data Information-
Spring	Variables in Games	Introduction to Spreadsheets
	<ul> <li>To define a 'variable' as something that is changeable</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To create a data set in a spreadsheet</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To explain why a variable is used in a program</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To build a data set in a spreadsheet</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To choose how to improve a game by using variables</li> </ul>	• To explain that formulas can be used to produce calculated
	<ul> <li>To design a project that builds on a given example</li> </ul>	data
	<ul> <li>To use my design to create a project</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To apply formulas to data</li> </ul>
	To evaluate my project	<ul> <li>To create a spreadsheet to plan an event</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>To choose suitable ways to present data</li> </ul>
	Creating Media-	Programming B-
Summer	3D Modelling	Sensing Movement
	<ul> <li>To recognise that you can work in three dimensions on a</li> </ul>	To create a program to run on a controllable device
	computer	To explain that selection can control the flow of a program
	<ul> <li>To identify that digital 3D objects can be modified</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To update a variable with a user input</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To recognise that objects can be combined in a 3D model</li> </ul>	• To use a conditional statement to compare a variable to a
	<ul> <li>To create a 3D model for a given purpose</li> </ul>	value
	To plan my own 3D model	<ul> <li>To design a project that uses inputs and outputs on a</li> </ul>
	To create my own digital 3D model	controllable device
		<ul> <li>To develop a program to use inputs and outputs on a controllable device</li> </ul>