

Holy Family Catholic High School



Subject	Year	Term
Computer Science	13	Autumn

Topic

Networks, Algorithms coursework

Content - Intent

Networks. Structure of the Internet including DNS and IP addressing. Local Area, the role of packet switching and routers in the TCP/IP protocol stack. Network threats and various methods of prevention. HTML and CSS web forms and JavaScript. Search engine indexing and Google's PageRank algorithm alongside client- and server-side processing in the final topics. The main algorithms to sort and search data, and the Big O of them in both space and time. How to calculate Big O for a given algorithm. Use algorithms to traverse binary trees, trees and graphs. Why different traversal methods are necessary in different circumstances, e.g to compile code, to output data in order or in hierarchy. The use of queues and stacks to accomplish different traversals. Apply heuristic methods and dijkstra algorithms to find shortest route/best route and its application to wide range of contexts such as internet, satnay, CPUs Completion of coursework

Future Learning Legal, ethical, moral, and algorithms

What Knowledge and Skills will be How will your understanding be Taught (Implementation) assessed and recorded (Impact)

The main algorithms for sorting and searching, big O complexity, traversing and searching trees and linked list, dijkstra and A*. How the use of heuristic techniques such as A* can help improve performance of algorithms.

Coursework to be completed by half term. Worksheets and homework sheets sourced form PGonline, in the style of exam questions. End of unit assessment.

Transmission of data across networks. TCP/IP, benefits of client-side processing (javascript) server-side processing across a network. Network hardware, encryption, compression, hashing, sockets, protocols.

Worksheets and homework sheets sourced form PGonline, in the style of exam questions. End of unit assessment. Regular assessment to test previous learning through the use of past papers

How can parents help at home?

Ensure homework is completed on time. Class notes are being finished and summarised at home.



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Helpful further reading and discussion (Including reading and Vocabulary List)

Reading

Theory textbook –

ISBN 978-1910523056

OCR AS and A Level Computer Science, by

Heathcote and Heathcote

Programming Textbooks-

ISBN - 978-1910523193

Tackling A Level Projects in Computer Science for

OCR H446

ISBN - 978-1484260463

Modern C++ for Absolute Beginners

ISBN - 978-1838648572

Beginning C++ Game Programming

Vocabulary Lists

Trees & Graphs

Dijkstra & A*

Traversal

in order

post order

pre-order

DNS

Objects

LMC

heuristics

Big O

Linear & binary search

Bubble & Insertion Sort

Merge & quick sort

TCP/IP

Protocols

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