



Key Stage 1 Computing Skills Progression

National Curriculum Objectives

By the end of KS1 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

National Curriculum		EYFS	Year 1	Year 2
: : : :	Understand what algorithms are	 Understand that instructions lead to specific outcome Order steps of a known task 	Begin to understand an algorithm is a set of instructions to achieve a specific purpose	 Describe a series of instructions as a sequence Explain that a sequence of commands has an outcome
		• Know directional words forward, backward, left, right	 Combine forwards and backwards commands to make a sequence Combine four direction commands to make sequences 	Combine four directions commands to make increasingly more complex sequences





	Understand that we control computers	Understand that we control computers by giving them instructions	 Understand that computers have no intelligence and we have to program them to do things
Understand how algorithms are implemented as programs on digital	Press buttons on a floor robot and talk about the movements	 Choose a command for a given purpose Show a series of commands can be joined together 	• Explain that a sequence of commands has a start
devices, and that programs execute by following precise and unambiguous			• Explain what happens when we change the order of commands
instructions		Understand that the order of instructions in an algorithm is important	• Understand that instructions in an algorithm need to be in order, clear and unambiguous
Create and debug simple programs	Input a short sequence of instructions to control a device	Give a sequence of instructions to a floor robot. The length of programs increasing over the course of the year.	• Create a simple program on screen, correcting any errors, with a particular goal or purpose in mind (e.g. drawing a shape or moving a sprite from one place to another).





	Try alternative approaches to achieve a goal	Begin to debug instructions when floor robot does not reach the intended destination	Use the word debug to correct mistakes in an algorithm
			• Evaluate the success of an algorithm
Use logical reasoning to predict the behaviour of simple programs		Begin to predict what will happen for a short sequence of instructions in a program	Predict the outcome of a sequence
Simple programs		• Understand that we control computers by giving them instructions	Compare prediction to the program outcome





purpos create, store, manipu	sefully to , organise, ulate and e digital content	 Identify and find keys on a keyboard Add and remove text using basic typing skills (including use of space bar, backspace to delete and basic, ageappropriate punctuation) Save work to the appropriate location (One Drive) Begin to print, retrieve and edit work, with support 	 Identify and find keys on a keyboard with increased confidence and speed Type capital letters Change font, style (bold, italic and underline) and size of text Save, print, retrieve and edit work from appropriate location (onedrive) independently Upload images or movies to appropriate place (hard drive and Microsoft)
		 Create/edit a drawing using a range of 'tools' such as brushes, pens, eraser, stamps and shapes, and set the size, colour and shape; Explain why tools were chosen and used 	 Add and resize images (including insert clip art/copy & paste an image) Capture/edit photograph using a range of 'tools'





		 Use software to create and edit digital music for a purpose Explain and begin to justify why tools were chosen and used
	 Label objects Identify that objects can be counted Count objects with same properties Compare groups of objects 	 Recognise that objects can be counted and compared using tally charts
	Describe objects in different ways	Select objects by attribute and make comparisons
		 Recognise objects can be represented as pictures





				 Create a pictogram Explain that information can be presented using a computer
	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	• See related document: Online	Safety Skills Progression Project Evolve	e
	Recognise common uses of information technology beyond school	Help adults operate equipment around the school, independently operating simple equipment	• Identify technology	 Identify information technology in the home Identify information technology beyond school Explain how information technology benefits us





	Identify a computer and its main parts	 Recognise the uses and features of information technology
	Use a mouse in different ways	• Continue to practise mous skills independently