



Key Stage 2 Computing Skills Progression

National Curriculum Objectives

By the end of KS2 pupil 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.

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Design, write and debug programs that accomplish specific goals, including controlling or simulating physical systems	Create a sequence of commands using a block language to produce a given outcome Debug errors to accomplish specific goal	 Plan a program using a block language which includes appropriate loops to produce a given outcome Debug errors in increasingly complex programs to accomplish specific goal 	 Plan a program which includes selection to produce a given outcome Debug errors in increasingly complex programs to accomplish specific goal 	Plan a program which includes variables to produce a given outcome Debug errors in increasingly complex programs to accomplish specific goal
Solve problems by decomposing them into smaller parts	Work with others to decompose a problem into smaller steps in planning a project	• Independently decompose a problem into smaller steps in planning a project	Plan a solution to a problem using decomposition	• Solve problems using decomposition, tackling each part separately





Use sequence, selection, and repetition in programs; work with variables and various forms of input and output	 Explain the order (sequence) of commands can effect the outcome (same commands, different order -> same or different outcome) Identify different sequences can achieve the same outcome 	 Identify patterns (repetition) in a sequence Understand repetition in programming is also called looping Identify a loop in a program Understand, identify and justify when to use 'infinite' or 'count-controlled' loops Explain the importance in instruction order in a loop 	 Define that conditional statements (selection) are used in computer programs Explain a loop can stop when a condition is met (number of times or event) Explain a that program flow can branch according to a condition Use a condition in an ifthen statement to produce a given outcome 	 Define 'variable' as something that is changeable Explain that a variable has a name and a value Identify a variable in an existing program Use a variable in a conditional statement to control the flow of a program





	Use logical reasoning to explain how some simple algorithms work and to detect and correct errors in algorithms and programs	 Explain simple, sequence-based algorithm independently Use logical reasoning to detect errors in programs 	 Explain an algorithm using sequence and repetition independently Use logical reasoning to detect and correct errors in programs 	 Explain an algorithm using sequence, repetition and selection independently Use logical reasoning to detect errors in increasingly complex programs 	 Clearly and concisely explain algorithms using sequence, repetition, selection and variables independently Use logical reasoning to detect errors in increasingly complex programs
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how resu selected and be discernin	gies ly, appreciate ilts are and ranked,	 Search for information in a single site Understand that search engines select pages according to keywords found in the content 	 Use a standard search engine to find information Understand that search engines rank pages according to relevance. 	 Use filters to make more effective use of a standard search engine Understand that search engines use a cached copy of the crawled web to select and rank results 	 Use of a range of search engines appropriate to finding information that is required Understand that search engines rank pages based on the number and quality of in bound links





	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 Use microsoft platforms such as word, powerpoint	 Combine text and images to share a message Consider how different layouts can suit different purposes Type with increased confidence and speed using age appropriate punctuation Use return to create paragraphs Change orientation of text Wrap text around an image Recognise a document can be formatted with placeholders 	Use cross-curricular opportunities to consolidate previous learning from Year 1 – Year 3	Use cross-curricular opportunities to consolidate previous learning from Year 1 – Year 3	 Recognise components of a webpage layout Create a webpage including text, images, hyperlinks and embedded content Understand the need for a navigation path
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			Change orientation of images	 Use a computer to (further) manipulate images Recognise images can be changed for different purposes Use the most appropriate tool for a particular purpose Consider the impact of changes made on the quality of the image 	 Recognise an image is comprised of separate objects Add, remove, modify and combine objects to create graphical drawing on a computer Recognise objects are layered Recognise that objects can be modified in groups Consider the impact of choices made 	
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	 Understand animation is a sequence of drawings or photographs Relate animated movement with a sequence of images Plan an animation Review and improve an animation Evaluate the impact of adding other media to an animation 	 Press/tap buttons to start and stop recordings Recognise recorded audio is stored as a file Edit and alter recorded audio Layer sounds Save/export an audio file Consider the results of editing choices made 	 Identify the features of a good video Plan a video production using a story board Use a computer to make a video Recognise a video can be improved through editing Consider the impact of changes made on the quality of the Video 	Use cross-curricular opportunities to consolidate previous learning from Year 1 – Year 5
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		Collecting, analysing, evaluating and presenting data and information	 Identify object attributes needed to collect relevant data Create a branching database Identify objects using a branching database Compare information shown in a pictogram with a branching database Explain that data can be used to answer questions 	 Collect data using a digital device Recognise that a sensor can be used as an input device for data collection Use a larger data set to find information Use a computer program to sort data by one attribute Export information and present data in a table and a graph 	 Use a form to collect information Navigate a flat-file database Apply knowledge of a database to ask and answer real-world questions Design a structure for a flat-file database Choose tools to select and analyse data to answer questions Select an appropriate graph to visually compare data Choose suitable ways to present information 	 Identify questions that can be answered using data Create a spreadsheet for a purpose Apply a formula that can be used to produce calculated data Recognise data can be calculated using different operations Evaluate results in comparison to the question asked Choose suitable ways to presents data
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		Use technology safely, respectfully and responsibly; recognise acceptable/unacceptab le behaviour; identify a range of ways to report concerns about content and contact.	See related document: Online Safety Skills Progression (Education for a Connected World / Project Evolve. See extended Online safety planning.
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