Year 8 Web Development Knowledge Organiser

What is the World Wide Web?

The **internet** is a global network of computers. The **World Wide Web** is the part of the **internet** that can be accessed through **websites**. **Websites** consist of **webpages** which allow you to see information.

Websites are accessed using a **web browser**. A **browser** is a **program** designed to display the information held on a **website**. Every **website** has an address at which it can be found, a bit like a house address.

Considering your audience

Define your audience clearly

- For example, young or old!

What is the purpose of your website?

To entertain or to inform?

How will this affect your design?

Responsive Design

Websites are viewed on different size screens

Webpages must automatically adjust to fit

Set widths as **percentages** rather than pixels



Using HTML to create websites

All web pages on the internet are created using a language called Hypertext Markup Language (HTML). HTML describes:

- what information appears on a webpage
- how it appears on the page (formatting)
- any links to other pages or sites

HTML can be written in specialist software, or in a simple text editor like Notepad++. As long as the document is saved with the file extension **'.html'** it can be opened and viewed as a **webpage** from a **browser**. This example **HTML** code displays a message on a webpage:

The code uses **tags** to describe the appearance of the information:

<html> states that the document is a HTML document <body> states that the information appears in the body of the page <h1> states that the following text appears as a prominent heading

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CSS (Cascading Style Sheets)

HTML defines the structure and content of your **web page**

CSS defines the style and layout of **web pages**

CSS can be used to change the style of a whole website, one web page or a single occurrence of an element, e.g.

<h1 style="text-align:center">

CSS Syntax

Selector

Declaration







When adding **CSS** to a **web page** it is defined at the top of the page between the **<style>** tags.

Common Web Design Features

- Limited colour palette
- Limited font selection
- Common interface across all pages
- Navigation bar

