Computing

A high-quality computing education equips pupils to use computational thinking and creativity to understand and change the world. Computing has deep links with mathematics, science, and design and technology, and provides insights into both natural and artificial systems. The core of computing is computer science, in which pupils are taught the principles of information and computation, how digital systems work, and how to put this knowledge to use through programming. Building on this knowledge and understanding, pupils are equipped to use information technology to create programs, systems and a range of content. Computing also ensures that pupils become digitally literate – able to use, and express themselves and develop their ideas through, information and communication technology – at a level suitable for the future workplace and as active participants in a digital world.

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Understanding the World	**Computer Science**					
Children recognise that a range of technology is used in places such as homes and schools. They select and use technology for particular purposes.	**Understand what algorithms are; how they are implemented as programs on digital devices; and that programs execute by following precise and unambiguous instructions.**		**Design, write and debug programs that accomplish specific goals, including controlling or simulating physical systems; solve problems by decomposing them into smaller parts.**			
	Children understand that an algorithm is a set of instructions used to solve a problem or achieve an objective. They know that an algorithm written for a computer is called a program.	Children can explain that an algorithm is a set of instructions to complete a task. When **designing simple programs**, children show an awareness of the need to be precise with their algorithms so that they can be successfully converted into code.	Children can turn a simple real-life situation into an algorithm for a program by deconstructing it into manageable parts. Their design shows that they are thinking of the desired task and how this translates into code. Children can identify an error within their program that prevents it following the desired algorithm and then fix it.	When turning a real-life situation into an algorithm, the children's design shows that they are thinking of the required task and how to accomplish this in code using coding structures for selection and repetition. Children make more intuitive attempts to debug their own programs.	Children may attempt to turn more complex real life situations into algorithms for a program by deconstructing it into manageable parts. Children are able to test and debug their programs as they go and can use logical methods to identify the approximate cause of any bug but may need some support identifying the specific line of **code**.	Children are able to turn a more complex programming task into an algorithm by identifying the important aspects of the task (abstraction) and then decomposing them in a logical way using their knowledge of possible coding structures and applying skills from previous programs. Children test and debug their program as they go and use logical methods to identify the cause of bugs, demonstrating a systematic approach to try to identify a particular line of code causing a problem.

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	Create and debug simple programs.		**Use sequence, selection and repetition in programs; work with variables and various forms of input andoutput.**			
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	When looking at a program, children can read code one line at a time and make good attempts to envision thebigger picture of the overall effect of the program. Children can, for example, interpret wherethe turtle in **2Go challenges** will end up atthe end of the program.	Children can identify the parts of a program that respond to specificevents and initiate specific actions. For example, they can write a cause and effect sentence of what will happen in a program.	Children's designs for their programs show that they are thinkingof the structure of a program in logical, achievable steps and absorbing some new knowledge of coding structures. For example, 'if statements, repetition and variables. They make good attempts to 'step through' more complex code in order to identify errors in algorithms and can correct this. e.g. traffic light algorithmin **2Code.** In programs such as Logo, they can 'read' programs with several steps and predict the outcome accurately.	Children's designs for their programs show that they are thinking of the structure of a program in logical, achievable steps and absorbing some new knowledge of coding structures. For example, 'if' statements, repetitionand variables. They can trace code and use step-through methodsto identify errors in code and make logical attemptsto correct this. e.g. traffic light algorithm in **2Code.** In programs such as Logo, they can 'read' programs with several steps and predict the outcome accurately.	When children code, they are beginning to think about their code structure in terms of the ability to debug and interpret the code later, e.g. the use of tabs to organise code and the **naming of variables**.	Children are able to interpret a program in parts and can make logical attempts to put the separate parts of acomplex algorithm together to explain the**program as a whole**.
			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.			
			Children can list a range of ways that the internet can be used to provide different methods of communication. They can use some of these methods of communication, e.g. being able to open, respond to and attach files to emails using **2Email**. They can describe appropriate email conventions when communicating in this	Children recognise the main component parts of hardware which allow computers to join and form a network. Their ability to understand the online safety implications associated with the waysthe internet can be usedto provide different methods of communication is improving.	Children understand the value of computer networks but are also aware of the main dangers. They recognise what personal information is and can explain how thiscan be kept safe. Children can select the most appropriate form of online communicationscontingent on audience and digital content, e.g. **2Blog**, **2Email**, **Display Boards**.	Children understand andcan explain in some depth the difference between the internetand the World Wide Web. Children know what a WAN and LAN are andcan describe how theyaccess the **internet inschool**.

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	Information Technology					
	Use technology purposefully to create, organise, store, manipulate and retrieve digital content.		**Use search technologies effectively, appreciate how results are selected and ranked, and be discerning in evaluating digital content.**			
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Uses ICT hardware to interact with age appropriate computer software.			**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.**			

			Children can collect, analyse, evaluate and present data and information using a selection of software, e.g. using a branching database **(2Question),** using software such as **2Graph**. Children can consider what software is most appropriate for a given task. They can create purposeful content to attach to emails, e.g. **2Respond**.	Children are able to make improvements to digital solutions based on feedback. Children make informed software choices when presenting information and data. They create linked content using a range of software such as **2Connect** and **2Publish+**. Children share digital content within their community, i.e. using Virtual **Display Boards**.	Children are able to make appropriate improvements to digital solutions based on feedback received and can confidently comment on the success of the solution. e.g. creating their own program to meet a design brief using **2Code**. They objectively review solutions from others. Children are able to collaboratively create content and solutions using digital features within software such as collaborative mode. They are able to use several ways of sharing digital content, i.e. **2Blog**, **Display Boards** and **2Email**.	Children make clear connections to the audience when designing and creating digital content. The children design and create their own blogs to become a content creator on the internet, e.g. **2Blog**. They are able to use criteria to evaluate the quality of digital solutions and are able to identify improvements, making some refinements.

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Digital Literacy						
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	Children understand what is meant by technology and can identify a variety of examples both in and out of school. They can make a distinction between objects that use modern technology and those that do not e.g. a microwave vs a chair.	Children understand the importance of keeping information, such as their usernames and passwords, private and actively demonstrate this in lessons. Children take ownership of their work and save this in their own private space such as their My Work folder on Purple Mash.	Children demonstrate the importance of having a secure password and not sharing this with anyone else. Furthermore, children can explain the negative implications of failure to keep passwords safe and secure They understand the importance of staying safe and the importance of their conduct when using familiar communication tools such as **2Email** in Purple Mash. They know more than one way to report unacceptable content and contact.	Children can explore key concepts relating to online safety using concept mapping such as **2Connect**. They can help others to understand the importance of online safety. Children know a range of ways of reporting inappropriate content and contact.	Children have a secure knowledge of common online safety rules and can apply this by demonstrating the safe and respectful use of a few different technologies and **online Services**. Children implicitly relate appropriate online behaviour to their right to personal privacy and mental wellbeing of themselves and others.	Children demonstrate the safe and respectful use of a range of different technologies and online services. They identify more discreet inappropriate behaviours through developing critical thinking, e.g. **2Respond** activities. They recognise the value in preserving their privacy when online for their own and other people's safety.
	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.					

	Children can effectively retrieve relevant, purposeful digital content using a search engine. They can apply their learning of effective searching beyond theclassroom. They can share this knowledge, e.g. **2Publish example template**. Children make links between technology they see around them, coding and multimedia work they do in school e.g **animations**, **interactive code** and **programs.**	Children know the implications of inappropriate online searches. Children begin to understand how things are shared electronically such as posting work to the Purple Mash display board. They develop an understanding of using email safely by using **2Respond** activities on Purple Mash and know ways of reporting inappropriate behaviours and contentto a trusted adult.				