



Creating continuity and progression in Computing

What are the key features of 'knowledgerich' assessment for Computing?

Subject	Features
Computing	 At key stage 1, the sticky knowledge takes full account of the national curriculum's main characteristics of: Algorithms Creating Programs Reasoning Using Technology Uses of IT beyond school Being Safe
	 At key stage 2, the sticky knowledge takes full account of the national curriculum's main characteristics of: Creating Programs Developing Programs Reasoning Networks Search Engines Using Programs Being Safe
	There are relatively few assessment statements as these knowledge statements should be what pupils retain for ever. In other words, this knowledge is within their long-term memory and will be retained.
	When considering pupils' improvement in subject specific vocabulary, provide pupils with a vocabulary mat which contains all words used for computing for their age group.

	Algorithms	Create programs/ Coding	Reasoning
	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	Pupils should be taught to create and debug simple programs	Pupils should be taught to use logical reasoning to predict the behaviour of simple programs
Year 1	 emphasise the importance of following instructions create and follow simple instructions on a computer consider how the order of instructions affects the results understand the functionality of basic direction keys use additional direction keys as part of their algorithm understand how to change and extend the algorithm list 	 understand what coding means plan a journey for a programable toy create, store and retrieve digital content understand the need to test and debug a program repeatedly provide opportunities for pupils to set challenges for each other create unambiguous instructions 	
Year 2	 gain greater understanding of what an algorithm is understand how to use the repeat command understand how to use the timer command understand that algorithms are used on digital devices 	 write a simple program and test it understand how to create and debug a set of instructions construct a binary tree to separate different items using a database to answer more complex search questions use a search tool to find information 	 predict what the outcome of a simple program will be (logical reasoning) discuss how important it is to think logically predict what an object will do based on their knowledge of other programs

	Using technology	Uses of IT beyond school	Safe use
	Pupils should be taught to use technology purposefully to create, organise, store, manipulate and retrieve digital content	Pupils should be taught to recognise common uses of information technology beyond school	Pupils should be taught to 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
Year 1	 be familiar with different types of resources available to them be familiar with a range of icons used on a day-to-day basis use a website and a camera record sound and play back be introduced to 'ebooks' and '2create' a story add sound to a story including voice recording be introduced to a spreadsheet 	 walk around the local area to find examples of where technology is used talk about some of the IT uses in their own home 	 use technology safely keep personal information private log in safely introduce the idea of ownership and how to look after personal information know how to find save work online
Year 2	 understand that programs require precise instructions organise, retrieve and manipulate digital content introduce email as a communication tool using technology to make music to include editing and combining sounds upload sound from a bank of sounds record a piece of music they have created use technology to create art based on famous artists studied create spreadsheets to add amounts and to create tables, including block graphs 	 know how technology is used in school and outside of school 	 know if something online is making them feel sad or concerned know where to go for help if concerned know how to refine searches using the search tool know how to share work electronically taking account of online safety Understand that information online leaves a digital footprint or trail

	Create programs	Develop programs	Reasoning	Networks
	Pupils 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	Pupils should be taught to use sequence, selection, and repetition in programs; work with variables and various forms of input and output	Pupils should be taught to use logical reasoning to explain how some simple algorithms work and to detect and correct errors in algorithms and programs	Pupils should be taught to 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
Year 3	 write programs that accomplish specific goals be familiar with and review coding vocabulary create a sequential program design design and write a program that simulates a physical system create a program that repeats actions indefinitely Explore the use repeat command 	 design a sequence of instructions, including directional instructions Look at a grid that underlines the design and relate this to X and Y properties introduce selection into their programming by introducing the <i>if</i> command understand what a variable is understand the need to test and debug a program repeatedly 	 discern when it is best to use technology and where it adds little or no value 	 navigate the web to complete simple searches consider different methods of communicating electronically open and respond to an email to include an attachment (if necessary) and send it to the correct address use typing terminology know how to sit appropriately at a keyboard
Year 4	 give an 'on-screen' robot specific instructions that takes them from A to B create a program with a character that repeats actions make timers and counting machines using variables to print a new number to the screen every second 	 experiment with variables to control models program a character to respond to user keyboard input explore how '2Code' can be used to investigate control by creating a simulation 	 make an accurate prediction and explain why they believe something will happen (linked to programming) 	 know how to search for specific information and know which information is useful and which is not know what decomposition and abstraction are in computer science

	Computing: Key Stage 2				
	Search engines	Using programs	Safe use		
	Pupils should be taught to use search technologies effectively, appreciate how results are selected and ranked, and be discerning in evaluating digital content	Pupils should be taught to 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	Pupils should be taught to use technology safely, respectfully and responsibly; recognise acceptable/unacceptable behaviour; identify a range of ways to report concerns about content and contact		
Year 3	 use a range of software for similar purposes collect and present information 	 understand what computer networks do and how they provide multiple services add and edit data in a table layout know how spreadsheet programs can automatically create graphs to analyse Introduce 'more than', 'less than', and 'equals' tools 	 use technology respectfully and responsibly know different ways they can get help, if concerned consider what constitutes a safe password be aware of the consequences of giving a password away consider that not all websites are necessary providing accurate information create spoof websites respect age restrictions symbols and appreciate why they exist 		
Year 4	 select and use software to accomplish given goals explore how the numbers entered into cells in spreadsheets can be set to either currency, decimal or fraction 	 produce and upload a podcast use a sketch or storyboard to represent a program design and algorithm use the 'Repeat Until' command to make characters repeat actions discuss what makes a good animated film or cartoon and what their favourites are use and build procedures in Logo use the Repeat function in Logo to create shapes. explore how font size and style can affect the impact of a text use a simulated scenario to produce a news report 	 recognise acceptable and unacceptable behaviour using technology understand how they can protect themselves from online identity theft Identify the risks and benefits of installing software including apps. understand that copying the work of others and presenting it as their own is called 'plagiarism' and to consider the consequences of plagiarism identify the positive and negative influences of technology on health and the environment 		

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Year 5	 use technology to control an external device design and write a program that simulates a physical system create a playable, competitive game create a program to inform others 	 develop a program that has specific variables identified combine the use of variables, If/else statements and Repeats to achieve the desired effect in code explore the effect of moving points when designing understand designing for a purpose 	 analyse and evaluate information reaching a conclusion that helps with future developments understand the need for visual representation when generating and discussing complex ideas 	 review sources of support when using technology explain that computers can be connected to form systems recognise the role of computer systems in our lives recognise how information is transferred over the internet
Year 6	 write a program that combines more than one attribute design programs using their choice of objects attributing specific actions to each debug a program and organise codes into tabs organise the code into functions create picture based quizzes for younger audiences 	 develop a sequenced program that has repetition and variables identified find out what text adventure is and plan a story adventure introduce map-based texts and adding code to it. 	 design algorithms that use repetition and 2-way selection design a quiz that requires the player to search a database 	 find out what a LAN and a WEN are know and understand how the school accesses the internet know that the digital world is still at an embryonic stage and will continue to develop

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Year 5	 understand how search results are selected and ranked use formulae within a spreadsheet to convert measurements of length and distance search the Internet with a consideration for the reliability of the results of sources to check validity and understand the impact of incorrect information 	 combine sequences of instructions and procedures to turn devices on and off review coding vocabulary use a sketch or storyboard to represent a program design and algorithm understand and use the correct vocabulary when creating a concept map read code so that it can be adapted, personalised and improved explore the launch command and use buttons within a program that launch other programs or open websites use formulae within a spreadsheet to convert measurements of length and distance 	 understand that they have to make choices when using technology and that not everything is true and/or safe gain a greater understanding of the impact that sharing digital content can have review pupils' responsibility to one another in their online behaviour know how to maintain secure passwords understand the advantages, disadvantages, permissions and purposes of altering an image digitally and the reasons for this aware of appropriate and inappropriate text, photographs and videos and the impact of sharing these online
Year 6	 identify how to use a search engine be aware that some search engines may provide misleading information Identify secure sites by looking for privacy seals of approval, e.g., https, padlock icon explain how search results are ranked and suggest some of the criteria used to do this recognise the role of web crawlers in creating an index 	 present the data collected in a way that makes it easy for others to understand use variables within a game to keep track of the properties of objects use functions and understand why they are useful 	 increasingly aware of the potential dangers in using aspects of IT and know when to alert someone if feeling uncomfortable Identify benefits and risks of mobile devices, broadcasting the locational of user/ devices, apps accessing location Identify the benefits and risks of giving personal information and device access to different software. Review the meaning of digital footprint ad understand how and why people use their information and online presence to create a virtual image of themselves as a user. Know how to behave appropriately online. Know how information online ca persist and give away details of those who share and modify it.