Computing KS3 Department: Curriculum Overview 2024-25

Curriculum Intent:

In Maths, IT & Computing, our aims are for all students;

- To have a passion for and resilience towards Maths, IT and Computing
- To develop strong problem solving, digital literacy and numeracy skills
- To be able to communicate their learning in Maths, IT and Computing effectively
- To be aware of E-Safety and how to report concerns and keep themselves safe & healthy online
- To gain qualifications to best prepare students for life after Fullbrook

	Term	11	Ter	m 2	Ter	m 3	
Year 7	Half Term 1	Half Term 2	Half Term 3	Half Term 4	Half Term 5	Half Term 6	
	[4 lessons]	[4 lessons]	[3 lessons]	[3 lessons]	[3 lessons]	[4 lessons]	
Topic	E-Safety	MS Office	Block Based Programming	Computing Theory	Spreadsheets	Digital Graphics	End Points

Skill Understand a range of ways to use technology safely, respectfully, responsibly and securely, including protecting their online identity and privacy; recognise inappropriate content, contact and conduct and know how to report concerns.	Be able to use word processing, spreadsheet and presentation software to solve a range of tasks.	Be able to use block-based programming to solve programming problems.	Understand different hardware & software, data & binary, internet & networks.	Be able to search, collect & record data. Write basic formulas and functions in Excel. Be able to format a spreadsheet. Use Publishing software to create a promotional flyer.	Be able to make use Adobe software package to create a range of different digital graphics which combine a range of tools and techniques.	Be able to create, re-use, revise and re-purpose digital artefacts for a given audience, with attention to trustworthiness, design
To know how to report cyberbullying Lesson 3 To understand the terms sexting and grooming To understand the consequences of sexting To learn how to protect yourself from sexting To be able to identify the different types of grooming To be able to explain the	Lesson 1 Be able to_use a range of formatting skills in MS Word. Know keyboard shortcuts. Be able to do screenshots. Develop understanding of folder structure. Lesson 2 Understand what spreadsheets are used for. Be able to format a spreadsheet. Understand cell referencing. Be able to carry out basic operations (+, -, *, /) Lesson 3 Be able to create and format a power point. Be able to use transitions, hyperlinks and animations in power point. Be able to print multiple slides on one page. Lesson 4 Be able to combine multiple applications to complete a task, based on a business scenario	Lesson 1 – Sequencing Translate movements into a series of commands using sequencing. Identify and locate bugs in a program. Lesson 2 – Sprites & Events Create sprites and objects and assign them costumes and behaviours. Create an interactive animation using events. Develop programs that respond to timed events. Develop programs that respond to user input. Lesson 4 – Loops & Conditions Use a combination of sequential and looped commands to reach the end of a maze. Identify the benefits of using a loop structure instead of manual repetition. Determine whether a condition is met based on criteria. Understand that programs can make decisions (selection)	Lesson 1 – Hardware & Software Computer systems; Input, Storage, Processor, Output. Input & Output devices. System Software Application Software Lesson 2 – Data Representation & Binary Know that all computer data is stored as binary. Know the increments of data sizes'; bit, nibble, byte, kilobyte, megabyte, gigabytes, terabytes. Understand that binary values are used to represent many kinds of data, namely numbers, text, images or sound. Be able to convert binary (base2) to decimal (base10) and decimal to binary. Lesson 3 – Internet & Networks Be able to define the internet. Know the difference between the internet and www. Understand characteristics of LAN and WAN.	Lesson 1 Be able to edit search filters online to collect information and record sources. Understand what makes a reliable source. Lesson 2 Be able to use basic to advanced formula and functions (SUM, MIN, MAX, AVE, MODE, IF) in Excel. Lesson 3 Be able to model different scenarios in spreadsheets. To use Publishing software to create a flyer for different target audiences.	Lesson 1 Be able to develop simple shapes and combine paths to develop new designs in Adobe Fireworks. Be able to apply these skills to create new digital graphics and logos. Lesson 2 Understand the difference between bitmap and vector graphics. Be able to design and then use advanced tools to create a digital product. Lesson 3 Be able to use advanced techniques to manipulate photographs using selection, layers and transforming tools. Be able to export the digital graphics into suitable file formats. Lesson 4 Be able to use multiple layers to create animated banners and export as GIF files.	and usability Understand the hardware and software components that make up computer systems, Be able to use block-based programming languages Understand a range of ways to use technology safely, respectfully, responsibly and securely, including protecting their online identity and privacy; recognise inappropriate content, contact and conduct and know how to report concerns. Students will be able to use Fullbrook's network effectively including folder structure, emails, accessing student shared drive, SLE and class charts.

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t is sequencing?	languages over text-based		graphics?
t is iteration?	programming languages?	How do you reference cells in	What is a suitable image file
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is it best to use iteration	programs?	What makes data reliable?	print.
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			graphics editing?
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Year 8	Half Term 1	Half Term 2	Half Term 3	Half Term 4	Half Term 5	Half Term 6	End Point

	[4 lessons]	[3 lessons & 1 assessment]	[3 lessons]	[3 lessons]	[3 lessons & 1 assessment]	
Topic	App Development (MIT App Inventor)	Python (Text Based)	HTML (web Design)	Theory (Computing)	Game Making (Click Team Fusion)	Understand the 3 main constructs of computing.
Skill	devices (Eg. Tablets) to test online applications simulating website access simulating website access of variables, calculate numerical values, selection, iteration, boolean variables and logical operators. developing programs that make use of variables, calculate numerical values, selection, iteration, boolean variables and logical operators. developing programs that make use of variables, calculate numerical values, selection, iteration, boolean variables and logical operators. processing, spreadsheet and presentation software to solve a range of tasks. NOTE for PRH: Already covered Binary in Year 7 so start lesson 1 with remember task and activity. "Maze game" "Platform Game" Be able to Plan, Develop, Test & Review an original digital game (They did not coverbinary addition—this could be added in L1.)		Be able to apply computational thinking in block based, object oriented and text-based programming languages.			
Content	Understand what is an app? Understand why we use apps. Understand how blocks are used and linked	Describe what algorithms and programs are and how they differ Recall that a program written in a programming language needs to be translated to be executed by a machine	Be able to create a web page using HTML in	Lesson 1:	Be able to make a Shoot Em Up style game. <u>Understand CTF workspace</u> -Events Editor -Frame Editor -Storyboard Editor	sition events (bounce on walls)
	Palette, designer and components). Learn how to create a simple app from a design and then test it using a tablet. Outcome: Have a working app that makes use of drawing canvas, touch screen & drag screen,	calculate values. Receive input from the keyboard and convert it to a numerical value Homework: Answer questions in booklets. Tasks 1 – 3. LESSON 3 – AT A CROSSROADS	Lesson 3 Be able to create multiple pages that link together to make a working website. Use AI to generate		Design a level for a 2D platform game. Be able to create motion paths for platforms. Examples of platform games. Adjust application and frame dimensions (to add unseen level content) Be able to implement scrolling (frame camera to follow P1) Be able to make use of backdrops (platforms & ladders) Generate storyboard control events. LESSON 5: Planning booklet for game ideas using the 'Code a Game Booklet	

	camera and buttons		HTML, JavaScript and		Be able to plan a 2D digital game.
	Carriera and Duttons	Use relational operators to form	CSS.		Understand that game making depends on game designers and games developers, and they rely on each
		logical expressions	C33.		other.
			Improve the code and		Be able to plan the following elements of own game design;
		Use selection (if, else	compare to the code		Genre, Aim of game, Choose Environment, Story / Overview & Develop original game artwork. (Player,
		statements) to control the flow of	made.		Enemy, Obstacles, Collectables.)
		program execution	indue.		Plan event controls in game.
		Generate and use random			Fian event controls in game.
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	Laccom 3 Ovija	Harris and			Lesson 6: Develop original game.
	Lesson 3 - Quiz	Homework:			Be able to import and format buttons.
	Understand the different	Plan / create an RPG game in Trinket using			Be able to use events to control button functionality.
	components in the Tool	selection (if then else)			Be able to source and create game backdrops and objects.
	bar (within app inventor)				Be able to independently develop and test own game.
	Learn how to use the				
	canvas to design apps.	LESSON 4 - MORE BRANCHES			Prior Knowledge:
	Learn how to use simple				Block based programming
	logic operations in apps.	Use multi-branch selection (if,			Text based programing
	Learn how to use	elif, else statements) to			Digital Graphics SoW
	variables, and other	control the flow of program			Signal Graphics Sovv
	components such as the	execution			Feedback:
	timer, scores, noise,	CAECULIOII			Verbal Feedback
	speed, direction.	Describe how iteration (while			Peer Assessment
					Self Assessment
	Oucome: Develop an	statements) controls the flow of			
	interactive quiz with	program execution			
	multiple screens and	Hamania			
	variables.	Homework:			
		Q & A (PG Book)			Key Questions:
					What are different genres of games?
	Lesson 4				What is a games engine?
	Learn how to display app				What are features of various genres of video games?
	code using general				Con year compain the marriage of a testing table?
	purpose applications.				Can you explain the purpose of a testing table?
	Understand the benefits of				What is the purpose / objective of the game?
	commenting app				
	(program) code				DVI's:
	Understand the difference				Games Engine, Genres, Evenst, Conditions, Assets, Obstacles, Events, Frames, Storyboards.
	between iterative and final				Games Engine, Genres, Evenst, Conditions, Assets, Obstacles, Events, Traines, Storyboards.
	testing (of apps)				
	Learn how to write, edit				Homework:
	and test simple block-				1. Complete an input output table for snake game.
	based apps.				Create a MIND MAP for a new digital game based on a brief.
					3. Answer questions on game developer interview. (Careers)
	Outcome: Have a working				4. Characteristics of different types of digital games homework.
	app that makes use of				5. Complete booklet artwork and source 3 assets for the title screen.
	sensors and the three				·
	computing constructs.				6. Complete a review of game developed.
Prior	Block Based Programming	Block Based Programming in	Python, MS Office,		
Knowledge	in Scratch	Scratch or other block-based	Fireworks, Photoshop		
Required		programming languages	/ Photopea.		
Feedback	1 to 1 verbal feedback.	Kahoot quiz feedback.	Teacher feedback	Verbal Feedback	
Points	Peer feedback.		(Verbal) based on	Peer Assessment	
	Kahoot results from		tasks	Self Assessment	
	Plenary.		End of topic		
			quiz/progress based		
			on techniques.		
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Key Questions	What is a variable?		Why should we use formatting in documents? How can spreadsheets save time? Why are some presentations less effective than others?	
Direct Vocab Instruction	Algorithm, program, prograr input, output, variables, assi	mming language, syntax, data types, ign, conditions, selection.		
Standardised Homework	 Windows in MIT Components & Code Questions based on existing code. 	Research Tasks. Booklet based tasks. Problem solving Python programming tasks.	 Complete the missing HTML code (worksheet) Quiz (in forms) Al based task. 	

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Year 9	Half Term 1	Half Term 2	Half Term 3	Half Term 4	Half Term 5	Half Term 6	
	[4 lessons]	[4 lessons]	[3 lessons & assessment]	[3 lessons]	[3 lessons]	[4 lessons]	
Topic	Photoshop / Photopea	VB	Flowcharts		2D Animation	Databases	End Points
Skill	Be able to use Photoshop to	Learn how to use a Text based			Be able to create and export a		
	solve a range of design	Integrated Development			range of animations that make		

	problems. Develop	environment (IDE) and all	use of; frame by frame		Be able to undertake
	understanding of the use of	associated tools	animation, tweening, creating		creative projects that
	digital graphics. Know the		and animating assets.		
	suitability of different image file				involve selecting, using,
	formats.				and combining multiple
Content			Lesson 1	Lesson 1	applications, preferably
	Lesson 1 – Getting Started	Lesson 1	Learn how to convert numbers	Data vs Information	across a range of devices,
		Understand the difference	between different number	Benefits of databases	to achieve challenging
	Be able to use a range of	between form based and	systems (Binary, Decimal and	Creating tables in Access	
	techniques to create an original	console-based applications	Hexadecimal)	Importing data.	goals, including collecting
	image.	To learn about the three	Understand how computers	Be able to create a form in	and analysing data and
	Do abla to wadowtowd the	programming constructs	perform simple arithmetic in	Access using Wizard.	meeting the needs of
	Be able to understand the	Understand what variables are and how to use them	binary (such as addition and	Losson 2	known users.
	suitability of different image file	Understand what a 'Sequence	multiplication)	Lesson 2 Be able to sort data in a	
	types.	of instructions' comprise	Lesson 2	table; Alphabetical, Largest	Be able to create, re-use,
	Be able to export images in a	of instructions comprise	Understand the key	to smallest, Date	revise and re-purpose
	range of different formats.	Lesson 2	components of computer	to smallest, bate	digital artefacts for a given
		To learn about repetition	systems.	Be able to run a query in	
		(Iteration) and apply it within	Understand how computers	Access; select, wild,	audience, with attention to
	Lesson 2 – Digital Graphics &	simple programming	represent sound and images in	conditional, dates,	trustworthiness, design
	Purpose.	scenarios.	digital format.	parameter.	and usability
			Learn how to maximise storage		
	Understand why digital graphics	Lesson 3	capacity using compression	Be able to generate reports	Understand simple
	are used, including:	Learn how to incorporate	algorithms (Lossy / Lossless),	in Access.	Boolean logic [for example,
		variables into simple	and RLE (Run length Encoding)		AND, OR and NOT] and
	to entertain, to inform, to	procedures using images	when applied to dictionaries.	Lesson 3	some of its uses in circuits
	advertise, to promote and to educate	Learn how to use simple		Demonstrate how to make a	and programming;
	Caucate	animation and graphics	Lesson 3	form in Access.	
	Understand how digital graphics	To understand how to modify control properties	Understand the importance of	Create multiple tables in	understand how numbers
	are used, including:	Control properties	Boolean Logic when processing	Access.	can be represented in
	magazine covers, CD/DVD	Lesson 4	instructions on computer	7.00033.	binary, and be able to carry
	covers, adverts, web images and	Learn how to combine the 3	systems.	Add buttons to forms to	out simple operations on
	graphics, multimedia products,	programming constructs	Learn about the different logic	carry out macro actions.	binary numbers [for
	games.	(Sequence, selection and	operations	,	example, binary addition,
		Iteration) to make simple	(AND/OR/NOT/EXOR) and their	Understand relationships	, , , , ,
	Lesson 3 – Making a MOVIE	programs	corresponding truth tables	and primary keys & foreign	and conversion between
	poster.		Learn how to draw simple logic	keys.	binary and decimal]
	 		circuits using logic diagram		
	Understand features of graphic		notation	Lesson 4	understand how
	products such as:			SQL	instructions are stored and
	Rule of thirdsMargins				executed within a
	Create a new document with				computer system;
	correct properties				understand how data of
	Compile an image using basic				various types (including
	techniques such as:				
	Crop and moveText				text, sounds and pictures)
	o Eraser				can be represented and
	o Layers				manipulated digitally, in
					the form of binary digits
	Lesson 4 – Designing a CD cover				
	Understand how to make				use two or more
	effective choices and uses of				programming languages, at
1	images				

	Be able to change the brightness and contrast of an image Be able to add shapes and change their stroke and fill Make use of the paint brush tool and change brushes Apply filters to a layer						least one of which is textual, to solve a variety of computational problems; make appropriate use of data structures [for example, lists, tables or arrays]; design and develop modular programs that use procedures or functions
Prior Knowledge Required	Fireworks File Formats	Python Code.org Theory	MS Office Code.org Python		Understanding of text and block-based programming languages Understand how to use a tablet	Understanding of text and block-based programming languages Understand how to use a tablet	
Feedback Points	Verbal Feedback Peer Assessment Self-Assessment		Verbal Feedback (teacher) Peer Assessment Self-Assessment	Verbal Feedback (teacher) Peer Assessment Self-Assessment	Verbal Feedback (Teacher) Peer Assessment Self-Assessment	Verbal Feedback (teacher) Peer Assessment Self-Assessment	
Key Questions	How are digital graphics used? Why are certain image file types suitable for one purpose but others are not? How can you make a digital graphic more appealing to a target audience?		What are the advantages of using a database to store data? What is the difference between data and information? What are data types?	What I the importance of testing computer programs before they are used?	What is hexadecimal? What are the main components of computer systems? How do I record sound on computers? How are images saved on computer systems? How are circuit diagrams used to create circuit boards?	How do I get mobile applications to run on different types of hardware? Why do I need to test phone applications on external devices?	
Direct Vocab Instruction	Importing, Layers, Selection, Transforming, Typography, Brush, Rubber/Eraser, Magic wand tool, Cropping, Brightness & Contrast, Hue & Saturation, Black & White, Pen Tool, Clipping Mask, Exporting (file formats), PNG, JPEG, PSD.		What are records? programming, coding, text, loop, constructs, repetition, selection, sequence, variable, parameter, background, Foreground, image, library, flow, movement, direction, degrees, path, values, execute, run, evaluate, reverse, integer, data, string, print, read, output, display	Forms, controls, buttons, label, textbox, font, font size, colour, indent, alignment, centre, left, right, justify, top, character, data, data type, integer, Boolean, decimal, real, float, long, short, on, off, positive, true, false, syntax, logic, error, testing, incremental, iterative, final, team, logical, concept, planning, flowchart, digit, binary,	Binary, decimal, hexadecimal, conversion, addition, multiplication, number systems, bits, byte, megabyte, integer, tens, hundreds, thousands, power, columns, image, bit depth, audio, sample, resolution, modify, colour depth, sample rate, seconds, sampling, pixel, width, height, CPU, LAN, WAN, Processor, memory, RAM, ROM, Virtual, router, hub, switch, logic, gate, circuit, operation, function, AND, OR, NOT, EXOR, truth table, input,	Block, app, testing, execution, planning, programming, coding, text, loop, constructs, repetition, selection, sequence, variable, parameter, background, Foreground, image, library, flow, movement, direction, path, values, execute, run, evaluate, reverse, integer, data, string, print, read, output, display, tablet, testing, canvas, palette, designer, buttons, points, direction, noise, storyboard,	

				output, display, operation, combined,	template, internet, testing, iterative, final testing	
Standardised Homework	Reseach based task Exam style questions. Design Based Tasks	Research Task Booklet based Problem solvir Design based	asks. Booklet based tasks.	Research Tasks. Booklet based tasks. Problem solving Design based	Research Tasks. Booklet based tasks. Problem solving Design based	