

HELMDON PRIMARY SCHOOL – Progression in Computing

Strand		National Curriculum	Year 1	Year 2	National Curriculum	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Computer Science	PROGRAMMING	<i>Understand what algorithms are, how they are implemented as programs on digital devices and that programs execute by following precise and unambiguous instructions</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Begin to understand an algorithm is a set of instructions to achieve a specific purpose Combine forwards and backwards commands to make a sequence Combine four direction commands to make sequences Understand that we control computers by giving them instructions Choose a command for a given purpose Show a series of commands can be joined together Understand that the order of instructions in an algorithm is important 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Describe a series of instructions as a sequence Explain that a sequence of commands has an outcome Combine four directions commands to make increasingly more complex sequences Understand that computers have no intelligence and we have to program them to do things Explain that a sequence of commands has a start Explain what happens when we change the order of commands Explain what happens when we change the order of commands Understand that instructions in an algorithm need to be in order, clear and unambiguous 	<i>Design, write and debug programs that accomplish specific goals, including controlling or simulating physical systems</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Create a sequence of commands using a block language to produce a given outcome Debug errors to accomplish specific goal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plan a program using a block language which includes loops to produce a given outcome Debug errors in increasingly complex programs to accomplish specific goal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plan a program which includes selection to produce a given outcome Debug errors in increasingly complex programs to accomplish specific goal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plan a program which includes variables to produce a given outcome Debug errors in increasingly complex programs to accomplish specific goal
			<i>Solve problems by decomposing them into smaller parts</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work with others to decompose a problem into smaller steps in planning a project 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Independently decompose a problem into smaller steps in planning a project 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plan a solution to a problem using decomposition 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Solve problems using decomposition, tackling each part separately 		
			<i>Use sequence, selection, and repetition in programs; work with variables and various forms of input and output</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explain the order (sequence) of commands can affect the outcome (same commands, different order -> same or different outcome) Identify different sequences can achieve the same outcome 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 <i>if...then...</i> statement to produce a given outcome 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 		
<i>Create and debug simple programs</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Give a sequence of instructions to a floor robot (length of programs increasing over the course of the year) Begin to debug instructions when floor robot does not reach the intended destination 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Create a simple program on screen, correcting any errors, with a particular goal or purpose in mind Use the word debug to correct mistakes in an algorithm Evaluate the success of an algorithm 	<i>Use logical reasoning to explain how some simple algorithms work and to detect and correct errors in algorithms and programs</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explain simple, sequence-based algorithm independently Use logical reasoning to detect errors in programs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explain an algorithm using sequence and repetition independently Use logical reasoning to detect and correct errors in programs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explain an algorithm using sequence, repetition and selection independently Use logical reasoning to detect errors in increasingly complex programs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clearly and concisely explain algorithms using sequence, repetition, selection and variables independently Use logical reasoning to detect errors in increasingly complex programs 		

			Use logical reasoning to predict the behaviour of simple programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Begin to predict what will happen for a short sequence of instructions in a program Understand that we control computers by giving them instructions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Predict the outcome of a sequence Compare prediction to the program outcome 					
	COMPUTING, SYSTEMS & NETWORKS		Recognise common uses of information technology beyond school	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recognise common uses of information technology beyond school Identify a computer and its main parts Use a mouse in different ways 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify information technology in the home Identify information technology beyond school Explain how information technology benefits us Recognise the uses and features of information technology Continue to practise mouse skills independently 	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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explain how a computer network can be used to share information Explore how digital devices can be connected Recognise the physical components of a network Explain how digital devices function Identify input and output devices 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Describe how networks physically connect to other networks Recognise how networked devices make up the internet Describe how content can be added and accessed on the World Wide Web Recognise how the content of the WWW is created and shared by people Describe the current limitations of World Wide Web media 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explain that computers can be connected together to form systems Recognise the role of computer systems in our lives Describe how information is transferred over the internet Explain how sharing information online lets people in different places work together Contribute to a shared project online Evaluate different ways of working together online 	(Continue to develop online searching skills to enhance online communication and collaboration)
Information Technology	CREATING MEDIA	Text	Use technology purposefully to create, organise, store, manipulate and retrieve digital content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify and find keys on a keyboard Add and remove text using basic typing skills (including use of space bar, backspace to delete and basic, age-appropriate punctuation) Save work to the appropriate location (hard drive and Google Drive) Begin to print, retrieve and edit work, with support 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify and find keys on a keyboard with increased confidence and speed Type capital letters Change font, style (bold, italic and underline) and size of text Save, print, retrieve and edit work from appropriate location (hard drive and Google Drive) independently Upload images or movies to appropriate place (hard drive and Google Drive), with support 	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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recognise components of a webpage layout Create a webpage including text, images, hyperlinks and embedded content Understand the need for a navigation path
		Image		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Create/edit a drawing using a range of 'tools' such as brushes, pens, eraser, stamps and shapes, and set the size, colour and shape; Explain why tools were chosen and used 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Add and resize images (including insert clip art/copy & paste an image) Capture/edit photograph using a range of 'tools' 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Change orientation of images 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 	

