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Intent
At Higham, we want pupils to be confident and skilful users of technology. Technology is used everywhere and plays an essential part in our pupils' lives; therefore, we aim to model and educate them on how to use technology positively, responsibly, and safely. Our pupils experience a broad curriculum encompassing computer science, information technology, and digital literacy, following the Teach Computing scheme to ensure progression and consistency across year groups. At Higham, we recognise that the best prevention for many issues linked to technology and social media is education, starting from the very beginning of a child's school journey. We use resources such as Be Internet Legends to help children understand online safety, respect, and digital wellbeing. We recognise that technology allows pupils to share their learning in creative ways and understand the accessibility opportunities it can provide. Our rich and varied curriculum balances opportunities for pupils to apply their knowledge creatively, helping them become skilful and reflective computer scientists. Staff are encouraged to embed computing across the curriculum to make learning creative, accessible, and meaningful. By Upper Key Stage 2, we intend that children have the independence and confidence to select appropriate digital tools, understand their digital footprint, and begin to explore responsible and ethical uses of emerging technologies such as artificial intelligence.
Implementation
Through our computing lessons, pupils develop a love of the digital world and see its place in their future. Using the Teach Computing curriculum, pupils build progressively on prior knowledge while developing new skills and facing appropriate challenges. From the start of KS1, pupils learn about algorithms, programming, and how technology can be used safely and purposefully. In KS2, pupils continue to build their understanding of online safety, including the responsible use of social media, alongside more complex coding, data handling, and network understanding. Pupils also explore how digital systems, can be used thoughtfully to support creativity and problem-solving. Staff receive ongoing support and professional development to ensure high-quality teaching and consistency of skill progression. Computing is integrated across other curriculum areas, and pupils have access to a range of hardware and software to enhance their learning and creativity.
Impact
Learning in computing is engaging and purposeful across the school. Teachers have high expectations, and pupils are proud to share their work in a variety of ways. They use digital and technological vocabulary accurately and show clear progression in their technical skills and understanding. Pupils grow in confidence using a range of hardware, software, and digital platforms to create meaningful outcomes that support their learning across the curriculum. They recognise the digital world as part of everyday life and understand the importance of making safe, responsible and thoughtful choices online. By the end of primary school, pupils at Higham will be confident, responsible, and creative users of technology, able to use it safely and effectively to support their learning and everyday life.

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National Curriculum		<u>Computer Science</u> • Understand what algorithms are; how they are implemented as programs on digital devices; and that programs execute by following precise and unambiguous instructions. • Create and debug simple programs. • Use logical reasoning to predict the behaviour of simple programs. <u>Information Technology</u> • Use technology purposefully to create, organise, store, manipulate and retrieve digital content. <u>Digital Literacy</u> • Recognise common uses of information technology beyond school. • 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.		<u>Computer Science</u> • Design, write and debug programs that accomplish specific goals, including controlling or simulating physical systems; solve problems by decomposing them into smaller parts. • Use sequence, selection and repetition in programs; work with variables and various forms of input and output. • Use logical reasoning to explain how some simple algorithms work and to detect and correct errors in algorithms and programs. • 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. <u>Information Technology</u> • Use search technologies effectively, appreciate how results are selected and ranked, and be discerning in evaluating digital content. • 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. <u>Digital Literacy</u> • Use technology safely, respectfully and responsibly; recognise acceptable/ unacceptable behaviour; identify a range of ways to report concern about content and contact.		
Computing Systems and Networks (Information Technology)	Basic Skills • To identify and use technology in the classroom • To be able to move objects on a tablet screen and/or IWB • To stop and start a game • To know some ways that people can be unkind online • To know some of the way I can keep safe online.	Technology around us • To identify technology • To identify a computer and its main parts • To use a mouse in different ways • To use a keyboard to type • To use the keyboard to edit text • To create rules for using technology responsibly	Information technology around us • To recognise the uses and features of information technology • To identify information technology in the home • To identify information technology beyond school • To explain how information technology benefits us • To show how to use information technology safely • To recognise that choices are made when using information technology	Connecting computers • To explain how digital devices function • To identify input and output devices • To recognise how digital devices can change the way we work • To explain how a computer network can be used to share information • To explore how digital devices can be connected • To recognise the physical components of a network	The internet • To describe how networks physically connect to other networks • To recognise how networked devices make up the internet • To outline how websites can be shared via the World Wide Web • To describe how content can be added and accessed on the World Wide Web • To recognise how the content of the WWW is created by people • To evaluate the consequences of unreliable content	Systems and Searching • To explain that computers can be connected together to form systems • To recognise the role of computer systems in our lives • To recognise how information is transferred over the internet • To explain how sharing information online lets people in different places work together • To contribute to a shared project online • To evaluate different ways of working together online	Communication and Collaboration • To identify how to use a search engine • To describe how search engines select results • To explain how search results are ranked • To recognise why the order of results is important, and to whom • To recognise how we communicate using technology • To evaluate different methods of online communication

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Key Vocabulary	Computer, laptop, iPad/tablet, screen	*Technology around us* technology, desktop, laptop, computer, mouse, trackpad, login, username, password, keyboard, edit, spacebar	*It around us* Information technology, device, *examples of it- barcode scanner, printer, tablet, chip and pin machine, card reader*	*Connecting computers* input, process, output, network, network components, server, wireless access point, network switch	*The internet* router, world wide web, online content	*Systems and searching* digital system, physical connection, electronic connection, computer system, search engine, rank, web search, web crawler, search engine index, content creator	*Communication and collaboration* Web address, IP address, domain name server (DNS), data packet, header, data payload, copyright, internet communication, internet collaboration, security, privacy

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Creating Media (Information Technology and Digital Literacy)	Basic Skills • To drag and drop objects on a screen • To know how to start, pause and stop an age appropriate game • To create pictures online using a touch screen program e.g. paint • To be able to take videos and photos on a device • To know which devices can access the internet • To say some of the rules on how to keep safe online	Digital painting • To describe what different freehand tools do • To use the shape tool and the line tools • To make careful choices when painting a digital picture • To explain why I chose the tools I used • To use a computer on my own to paint a picture • To compare painting a picture on a computer and on paper Digital writing • To use a computer to write • To add and remove text on a computer • To identify that the look of text can be changed on a computer • To make careful choices when changing text • To explain why I used the tools that I chose • To compare writing on a computer with writing on paper	Digital photography • To know what devices can be used to take photographs • To use a digital device to take a photograph • To describe what makes a good photograph • To decide how photographs can be improved • To use tools to change an image • To recognise that images can be changed Digital music • To say how music can make us feel • To identify that there are patterns in music • To describe how music can be used in different ways • To show how music is made from a series of notes • To create music for a purpose • To review and refine our computer work	Stop-frame animation • To explain that animation is a sequence of drawings or photographs • To relate animated movement with a sequence of images • To plan an animation • To identify the need to work consistently and carefully • To review and improve an animation • To evaluate the impact of adding other media to an animation Desktop publishing • To recognise how text and images convey information • To recognise that text and layout can be edited • To choose appropriate page settings • To add content to a desktop publishing publication • To consider how different layouts can suit different purposes • To consider the benefits of desktop publishing	Audio editing • To identify that sound can be digitally recorded • To use a digital device to record sound • To explain that a digital recording is stored as a file • To explain that audio can be changed through editing • To show that different types of audio can be combined and played together • To evaluate editing choices made Photo editing • To explain that digital images can be changed • To change the composition of an image • To describe how images can be changed for different uses • To make good choices when selecting different tools • To recognise that not all images are real • To evaluate how changes can improve an image	Video editing • To recognise video as moving pictures, which can include audio • To identify digital devices that can record video • To capture video using a digital device • To recognise the features of an effective video • To identify that video can be improved through reshooting and editing • To consider the impact of the choices made when making and sharing a video Vector drawing • To identify that drawing tools can be used to produce different outcomes • To create a vector drawing by combining shapes • To use tools to achieve a desired effect • To recognise that vector drawings consist of layers • To group objects to make them easier to work with • To evaluate my vector drawing	Web page creation • To review an existing website and consider its structure • To plan the features of a web page • To consider the ownership and use of images (copyright) • To recognise the need to preview pages • To outline the need for a navigation path • To recognise the implications of linking to content owned by other people 3D modelling • To use a computer to create and manipulate three-dimensional (3D) digital objects • To compare working digitally with 2D and 3D graphics • To construct a digital 3D model of a physical object • To identify that physical objects can be broken down into a collection of 3D shapes • To design a digital model by combining 3D objects • To develop and improve a digital 3D model

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Data and Information (information Techology)	• To recognise some of my personal data e.g. name and address • To know that I should never share this information online	Grouping data • To label objects • To identify that objects can be counted • To describe objects in different ways • To count objects with the same properties • To compare groups of objects • To answer questions about groups of objects	Pictograms • To recognise that we can count and compare objects using tally charts • To recognise that objects can be represented as pictures • To create a pictogram • To select objects by attribute and make comparisons • To recognise that people can be described by attributes • To explain that we can present information using a computer	Branching databases • To create questions with yes/no answers • To identify the object attributes needed to collect relevant data • To create a branching database • To identify objects using a branching database • To explain why it is helpful for a database to be well structured • To compare the information shown in a pictogram with a branching database		Flat-file databases • To use a form to record information • To compare paper and computer-based databases • To outline how grouping and then sorting data allows us to answer questions • To explain that tools can be used to select specific data • To explain that computer programs can be used to compare data visually • To apply my knowledge of a database to ask and answer real-world questions	Spreadsheets • To identify questions which can be answered using data • To explain that objects can be described using data • To explain that formula can be used to produce calculated data • To apply formulas to data, including duplicating • To create a spreadsheet to plan an event • To choose suitable ways to present data

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Key Vocabulary	Personal, name, address, birthday, trust	*Grouping data* object, label, group, data, properties, classify	*Pictograms* pictogram, tally, count, compare, attributes, block diagram	*Branching databases* tree structure, branching database		*Flat file database* record, field, database, sorting, grouping	*Introduction to spreadsheets* data input, spreadsheet, cell, cell format, produce calculated data, formula, cell references, duplicate

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Programming (Computer Science)	Basic Skills • To be able to move a Beebot forwards, backwards, left and right • To be able to move remote control objects	Moving a robot • To explain what a given command will do • To act out a given word • To combine forwards and backwards commands to make a sequence • To combine four direction commands to make sequences • To plan a simple program • To find more than one solution to a problem Introduction to animation • To choose a command for a given purpose • To show that a series of commands can be joined together • To identify the effect of changing a value • To explain that each sprite has its own instructions • To design the parts of a project • To use my algorithm to create a program	Robot algorithms • To describe a series of instructions as a sequence • To explain what happens when we change the order of instructions • To use logical reasoning to predict the outcome of a program (series of commands) • To explain that programming projects can have code and artwork • To design an algorithm • To create and debug a program that I have written Introduction to quizzes • To explain that a sequence of commands has a start • To explain that a sequence of commands has an outcome • To create a program using a given design • To change a given design • To create a program using my own design • To decide how my project can be improved	Sequence in music • To explore a new programming environment • I can identify that each sprite is controlled by the commands I choose • To explain that a program has a start • To recognise that a sequence of commands can have an order • To change the appearance of my project • To create a project from a task description Events and actions • To explain how a sprite moves in an existing project • To create a program to move a sprite in four directions • To adapt a program to a new context • To develop my program by adding features • To identify and fix bugs in a program • To design and create a maze-based challenge	Repetition in shapes • To identify that accuracy in programming is important • To create a program in a text-based language • To explain what 'repeat' means • To modify a count-controlled loop to produce a given outcome • To decompose a program into parts • To create a program that uses count-controlled loops to produce a given outcome Repetition in games • To develop the use of count-controlled loops in a different programming environment • To explain that in programming there are infinite loops and count controlled loops • To develop a design which includes two or more loops which run at the same time • To modify an infinite loop in a given program • To design a project that includes repetition • To create a project that includes repetition	Selection in physical computing • To control a simple circuit connected to a computer • To write a program that includes count-controlled loops • To explain that a loop can stop when a condition is met, eg number of times • To conclude that a loop can be used to repeatedly check whether a condition has been met • To design a physical project that includes selection • To create a controllable system that includes selection	Sensing • To create a program to run on a controllable device • To explain that selection can control the flow of a program • To update a variable with a user input • To use a conditional statement to compare a variable to a value • To design a project that uses inputs and outputs on a controllable device • To develop a program to use inputs and outputs on a controllable device

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