

This term in Computer Science we will be learning about				
	Grade 7-9	Grade 5-6	Grade 4	Grade 1-3
KNOWLEDGE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Know why hexadecimal numbers are used Understand the relationship between logic circuits and computer algorithms Understand the considerations that underpin decisions relating to hardware choices 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Know what is meant by hexadecimal numbers Recognise logic gates based on their truth tables, diagrams and algebraic symbols Know the different components within the CPU Know the basic principles of different storage technologies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Know the order of units for data storage Know what a truth table is when looking at logic gates Know the difference between RAM and ROM Know the meaning of the words sequence, selection and iteration 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Know that binary numbers use 0s and 1s Know the names of some units of data storage Know the names of different logic gates Know the names of some internal components Know the names of at least two different data types
SKILLS & APPLICATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be able to convert between hexadecimal, binary and denary numbers Be able to build a logic circuit to solve a real-world problem Be able to advise others on appropriate hardware choices in a range of scenarios Be able to design, build and test complex programs that solve real-world problems Be able to identify and solve a wide range of errors including both syntax and logic errors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be able to convert between hexadecimal and binary numbers Be able to create a truth table based on a logic circuit of up to 3 logic gates Be able to compare storage technologies Be able to write programs that use multiple conditions Be able to create a program without the aid of a flowchart or other detailed description of an algorithm Be able to test programs fully, using both valid and invalid data 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be able to convert 8-bit binary numbers to denary Be able to create a truth table based on a logic gate Be able to describe the factors that affect CPU performance Be able to predict the outcome of a program that uses selection Be able to use selection in a program Be able to convert between different data types Be able to convert between a flowchart and a simple program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be able to convert 4-bit binary numbers to denary Be able to recognise logic gates based on their diagrams Be able to state the purpose of a CPU Be able to predict the outcome of a simple program Be able to use print() and input() statements to create simple programs in Python Be able to use simple arithmetic operations in Python

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KNOWLEDGE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understand the significance of all 5 purposes of an operating system Understand how to design and build a network to meet specific criteria Understand how loops can be used to improve the efficiency and reusability of computer programs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understand the role of memory management in an operating system Know the names and purposes for 5 different network devices Understand factors relating to wifi reliability Know when to use a FOR loop and when to use a WHILE loop Know the key rules for completing trace tables 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Know all 5 purposes of an operating system Know the features of LANS and WANS Know the features of star and mesh networks Recall the correct syntax for a FOR loop and a WHILE loop Know what a trace table is 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Know the main purpose of an operating system Know some advantages and disadvantages for using networks Know some advantages and disadvantages for wired vs wifi connections Identify the difference between a FOR and a WHILE loop
SKILLS & APPLICATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be able to justify decisions about a range of network design decisions Be able to create complex programs that uses multiple, nested loops to solve real-world problems Be able to trace programs to identify and fix a range of logic errors Be able to consistently validate inputs in order to produce programs with effective user interfaces 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be able to explain when a LAN or WAN would be most appropriate Be able to explain the pros and cons of star and mesh networks Be able to create a program that uses a FOR loop without the aid of a flowchart or pseudocode Be able to create a program that uses a WHILE loop without the aid of a flowchart or pseudocode Be able to use a trace table to identify logic errors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be able to justify the expense of installing a network Be able to create a program that uses a FOR loop based on a flowchart or pseudocode Be able to create a program that uses a WHILE loop based on a flowchart or pseudocode Be able to create a flowchart that uses loops Be able to complete a simple trace table with reasonable accuracy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be able to state whether to use a wired or wifi network Be able to predict the outcome of running a program that uses a loop Be able to identify obvious syntax errors in programs that include the use of loops Be able to state the value of a variable at a given point in a program

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KNOWLEDGE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Know the importance of providing a balanced argument that considers a range of viewpoints and consequences Know that benefits and drawbacks of specific searching and sorting algorithms 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Know what the word stakeholders means and that different computing issues have different stakeholders Know the basic steps in at least 2 searching algorithms Know the basic steps in at least 2 sorting algorithms 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Know what is meant by ethical, legal, cultural and environmental consequences Know what each computing law covers Know the names of at least 2 searching and at least 2 sorting algorithms 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Know of at least 3 different laws relating to computing Know that data can be stored in a list Know that lists can be searched Know that lists can be sorted into an order
SKILLS & APPLICATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can consider the consequences for a wide range of computing issues in terms of moral, environmental, legal and cultural considerations Can create programs to carry out a linear search and a binary search Can create programs to carry out a bubble sort and an insertion sort 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can identify a range of stakeholders for a given scenario Can demonstrate the steps in a linear search and a binary search for a specific value Can demonstrate the steps in a bubble sort and a merge sort for a specific value 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can match a specific law to its aims Can use a loop to step through a list, e.g. to find a total or an average Can follow a simple algorithm to perform a search Can follow a simple algorithm to perform a sort 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can use Python code to find a value in a list Can use Python code to change a value in a list Can predict the outcome of searching a list Can predict the outcome of sorting a list

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KNOWLEDGE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understand how check digits can be used to ensure that data is valid Know what metadata is, and what metadata might typically be stored within a file Understand the difference between lossy and lossless compression Explain how cache and RAM size affect CPU performance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Know what is meant by overflow and underflow in binary addition and binary shifts Know how images and sounds can be stored using binary numbers Know what cache and Virtual Memory refer to Know the range of values that can be stored in ASCII, extended ASCII and Unicode 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Know how to add 2-digit binary numbers Know what is meant by a binary shift Know that images are made up of pixels Know that FDE stands for the Fetch-Decode-Execute cycle 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Know how to add single-digit binary numbers Know what is meant by a character set Know that images and sounds can be stored as binary Know that compression is about reducing file size
SKILLS & APPLICATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can plan and create programs that make use of a range of encryption techniques Can use subroutines, including parameter passing and return statements Can make effective use of file handling techniques to read, write and append to files Can create, populate, interrogate and carryout data analysis on 2D arrays 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can carry out a range of binary arithmetic tasks, including the identification of overflow and underflow Can plan and create programs to carry out one or more encryption algorithms Can create individual subroutines to make programs easier to write and to follow Can create programs that use file handling techniques Can interrogate a 2D array to extract meaningful data 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can add binary numbers with reasonable accuracy Can carry out binary shifts with reasonable accuracy Can plan and create sections of code that can help carry out encryption algorithms Can describe the functionality of a subroutine and identify the key syntax elements Can adapt existing code to open text files for reading and writing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can predict the outcome of running a program that uses a subroutine Can manually carry out simple encryption techniques, such as the Caesar Cipher Can recognise Python code involved with file handling

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KNOWLEDGE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understand why users might require different storage devices for a wide range of scenarios Understand the processes of fragmentation and defragmentation Understand the concept and advantages of using layered protocols 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Know the benefits and drawbacks of a range of storage devices and technologies Know the difference between types of backup Understand the process and purpose of DNS Know which protective measures are designed to prevent which threats 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accurately identify the storage technology used by different devices Know the purpose of at least 2 different software utilities Know what is meant by client-server and peer-peer network Identify at least 2 protective measures against threats 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can identify the three different types of storage technology Can name at least 3 different software utilities Know what is meant by a protocol Identify at least 2 different security threats
SKILLS & APPLICATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be able to design, code, test and correct complex programs, using a wide range of programming techniques Be able to decompose a problem into subprograms, and implement these, making use of parameter passing and return statements with a high level of accuracy Complete trace tables for complex programs, using this technique to identify and correct errors and inefficiencies within the code 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be able to complete trace tables for simple programs Be able to identify and correct errors in existing programs Be able to create programs that make use of subroutines Be able to independently identify and implement validation techniques to ensure that code is effective 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be able to accurately predict the outcome of complex programs Be able to identify a range of syntax and logic errors in existing programs Be able to create simple programs, without support from pseudocode or flowcharts Be able to apply basic validation techniques on data entry 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be able to accurately predict the outcome of simple programs Be able to identify basic errors in existing programs Be able to create simple programs, with support from pseudocode or flowcharts Be able to identify areas where input validation might be possible