

The Minster Junior School

Skills Progression – Computing

Areas of focus	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
	Design, write and debug	Design, write and debug	Design, write and debug	Design, write and debug
	programs that accomplish	programs that accomplish	programs that accomplish	programs that accomplish
	specific goals.	specific goals.	specific goals.	specific goals.
	Turn a simple real-life situation	Understand a required task and	Attempt to turn more complex	Turn a more complex task into
	into an algorithm.	how to accomplish it in code.	real-life situations into	an algorithm.
	Deconstruct code into	Use selection and repetition	algorithms.	Identify the important aspects
	manageable parts.	more independently.	Test and debug their	of the task (abstraction) and
	Identify errors in code and fix	More intuitive to debug their	programmes as they go.	decompose them into a logical
	them.	own programmes.	Use logical methods to identify	way using their coding
	Use sequence, selection and	Use sequence, selection and	the cause of any bugs – with	knowledge.
	repetition in programs.	repetition in programs.	support may identify specific	Test and debug any created
	Design and code a simple	More logical use of timers for	line of code.	programmes as they go.
	sequence programme.	repetition integrated into their	Use sequence, selection and	Identify bugs and the causes of
Computer Science	Experiment with timers to	programming.	repetition in programs.	them.
·	achieve repetition.	Understand if statements and	Translate algorithms that	Use a systematic approach to
	Understand variables and how	combine them with variables.	include sequence, selection	find the line of code causing
	they are used.	Use and manipulate the value	and repetition into code.	the error.
	Use logical reasoning.	of variables in their	Combining sequence, selection	Use sequence, selection and
	Create logical achievable steps.	programming.	and repetition with other	repetition in programs.
	Understand if statements	Use user inputs and outputs;	coding structures to achieve	Translate algorithms into code
	Make accurate predictions	such as print to screen.	their own designs.	using selection, sequence and
	about code and what effects	Use logical reasoning.	Use logical reasoning.	repetition.
	happen.	Think of a structure to a	Can name different variables.	Designs show the use of
	Understand computer	programme that is in logical	Can logically structure their	structures within structures
	networks; including the	achievable steps.	own code.	including nesting.
	internet.	Trace code and use step	Use tabs to organise their	Improved understanding of
	Know a wide range of ways to	through methods to identify	code.	variables, including outputs
	communicate on the internet.	errors and made logical steps	Understand computer	such as sound and movements.
	Understand appropriate ways	to correct them.	networks; including the	As well as inputs such as
	to communicate online.	Read programmes with several	internet.	button clicks and the value of
		steps and predict outcomes	Understand the value of	functions.
		accurately.	computer networks.	

		Understand computer networks; including the internet. Recognise the main hardware that is needed to join a network. Understanding of the way they internet can be used to communicate is improving.	Are aware of the main dangers of a computer network. Recognise what personal information means and how to keep it safe. Can select the most appropriate form of online communication for their needs, considering audience and digital content.	Use logical reasoning. Can interpret a programme in parts. Make logical attempts to put the separate parts of a complex algorithm together, to explain the programme as a whole. Understand computer networks; including the internet. Understand and explain in depth the difference between the internet and the world wide web. Know what a WAN and LAN. Can describe how they access the internet at school.
Information Technology	Use search technologies effectively. Carry out simple searches to retrieve digital content. Understand that search engines are connected to the internet. Select and use a variety of software on a range of devices, to collect, analyse, evaluate and present data. Use a branching database Think about which software is needed for a task. Create purposeful content.	Use search technologies effectively. Understand the function, features and layout of a search engine. Consider credibility of results at a basic level. Select and use a variety of software on a range of devices, to collect, analyse, evaluate and present data. Make improvements on their digital solutions based on feedback. Make informed choices when presenting information and data. Can share digital content within their community.	Use search technologies effectively. Search with greater complexity for digital content. Explain in detail how credible a webpage and its information is. Select and use a variety of software on a range of devices, to collect, analyse, evaluate and present data. Can accurately respond to feedback on their work. Can comment on the success of their solutions. Objectively review solutions from others. Collaborate with others to create content and effective solutions., using different software.	Use search technologies effectively. Can apply filters when searching for digital content. Explain in detail how credible a website and its content is. Compare a range of digital content sources and rate them in terms of content quality and accuracy. Use critical thinking skills in regards to online communication daily. Select and use a variety of software on a range of devices, to collect, analyse, evaluate and present data. Make clear connections to the audience when designing and creating digital content. Create their own content such as blogs on the internet.

				Use criteria to evaluate the quality of their work. Make improvements and refinements in their digital solutions
	Use technology safely, respectfully and responsibly. Recognise acceptable/unacceptable behaviour and how to report it. Importance of a secure password. Understand not to share	Use technology safely, respectfully and responsibly. Recognise acceptable/unacceptable behaviour and how to report it. Explore key concepts related to online safety. Help others understand the	Use technology safely, respectfully and responsibly. Recognise acceptable/unacceptable behaviour and how to report it. Secure knowledge of common online safety rules. Demonstrate the safe and	Use technology safely, respectfully and responsibly. Recognise acceptable/unacceptable behaviour and how to report it. Demonstrate the safe and respectful use of a wide range of different technologies and
Digital Literacy	passwords. Know consequences of failure if passwords are not kept safe and secure. Understand the importance of staying safe. Know how to conduct themselves appropriately on the internet. Be aware of more than one way to report unacceptable content and contact.	importance of online safety. Know a range of ways to report inappropriate content and contact.	effective use of different technologies and online services. Relate appropriate online behaviour to their rights for personal privacy and mental well-being for themselves and others.	online services. Can identify more discreet inappropriate online behaviour through critical thinking. Recognise the value of persevering their privacy online for their safety and the safety of others.