EYFS

Despite computing not being explicitly mentioned within the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) statutory framework, which focuses on the learning and development of children from birth to age five, there are many opportunities for young children to use technology to solve problems and produce creative outcomes.

As young children take part in a variety of tasks with digital devices, such as moving a Bee Bot around a classroom, they will already be familiar with the device before being asked to undertake tasks related to the key stage one (KS1 - ages 5 - 7 years) computing curriculum, such as writing and testing a simple program. Not only will children be keen to again use a device they had previously enjoyed using, their cognitive load will also be reduced, meaning they are more likely to succeed when undertaking activities linked to the next stage in their learning.

Within the revised EYFS statutory framework, the Technology strand within Understanding the World has been removed. However, there are opportunities within each area of the framework to enable practitioners to effectively prepare children for studying the computing curriculum.

Year 1

Computing systems and networks

that technology is something that can help us how to identify examples of technology how to recognise that a computer is an example of technology and name the main parts

that choices are made when using technology why rules are needed when using technology

Creating media - Digital painting

the effect of different freehand tools that computers can be used to create art a tool can be adjusted to suit my need when it is appropriate to use each tool my choices can have an impact

Creating media - Digital writing

that a keyboard is used to enter text into a computer
that the shift key changes the output of a key
text can be changed
the appearance of text can be changed

that there will be an impact of choices made how to compare painting on a computer with painting using brushes

Data and Information - Grouping Data

that objects can be counted that information can be presented that information can be presented in different ways

Programming A - Moving a robot

that some words can be enacted
how to explain what a given command does
how to match a command to an action
how to understand that a program is a set of commands that a
computer can do
how to recall a series of instructions can be issued

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Year 2

Computing systems and networks

recognise different types of computers used in school identify that a computer is part of information technology recognise the features of information technology talk about the uses of information technology say how rules for using information technology can help us explain how information technology benefits us recognise that choices are made when using information technology

Creating media - Digital photography

to recognise that some digital devices can capture images using a camera to talk about how to take a photograph to recognise that photographs can be saved and viewed later to recognise features of a good photographs to identify how a photograph could be improved to explain the effect of light on a photograph to recognise that photographs can be changed after they have been taken to recognise that some images are not accurate

Creating media - Making music

identify that computers can be used to play sounds of different instruments to identify that the same pattern can be represented to compare playing music on instruments with making music on a computer Data and information - pictograms

to use a tally chart to collect data
to compare objects that have been grouped by attribute
to suggest appropriate headings for tally charts and pictograms
to construct (complete) a given comparison question
to use a computer program to present information in different ways
to explain that we can present information using a computer
to give simple examples of why some information should not be shared

Programming A - Robot algorithms

to describe that a series of instructions is a sequence to explain what happens when we change the order of instructions to recall that a series of instructions can be issued before they are enacted

to recognise that you can predict the outcome of a program

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Year 4

Computing systems and networks - The Internet

to describe how networks connect to other networks
to outline how information can be shared via the WWW
to recognise the need for security on the internet
to describe how to access the WWW
to explain that the WWW comprises of websites and web pages
to describe the current limitations of WWW media
to evaluate the reliability of content and consequences of unreliable content
to explain the benefits of the WWW

Creating media - Audio editing

to identify that sound can be recorded

to identify that an input device is needed to record sound to identify that output devices are needed to play audio

to recognise that recorded audio can be stored on a computer

to recognise that audio can be edited

to recognise that sound can be represented visually as a waveform to recognise that audio can be layered so that multiple sounds can be played at the same time

to consider the results of editing choices made

Creating media - photo editing

To use an application to change the whole of a digital image to change the composition of a digital image by rotating, flipping, cropping, adusing colours, applying filters and adding effects to use an application to change part of a digital image by selecting parts of the image, cloning, copying and pasting to change the composition and to retouch.

to use an application to add to the composition of a digital image by adding text

Data and information - Data Logging

To suggest questions that can be answered using a table of data.

To identify data that can be logged over time.

To identify that sensors are input devices.

To recognise that a sensor can be used as an input device for data collection.

To explain that a data logger captures data points from sensors over time

Programming A - Repetition in shapes

To relate to what repeat means
To identify everyday tasks that include repetition
To explain that we can use a loop command in a program to repeat instructions
To identify patterns
To identify a loop within a program

To explain that in programming there are indefinite loops and count-controlled loops

Year 3 Computing systems and networks

To describe what an output is to explain that an output is produced by the process to identify how changing the process can affect the output to recognise that a digital device is made up of several parts to recognise that computers can be connected to each other to identify how devices in a network are connected with one another to recognise that a network is made up of a number of components to explain how information is passed through multiple connections

Creating media - animation

to explain that an animation is made up of a sequence of images to identify that a capturing device needs to be in a fixed position to recognise that smaller movements create smoother animation to explain the need for consistency in working

to explain the impact of adding other media to an animation

Branching databases

to investigate questions with a yes/no answer to identify attributes that you can ask yes/no questions about to select an attribute to separate objects into two similarly sized groups

to explain that a branching database is an identification tool to recognise that a data set can be structured using yes/no questions

to explain that a well-structured branching database will enable you to identify objects using fewer questions to relate two levels of a database using AND to suggest real-world applications for branching databases

Programming A - sequence in music

to explain that programs start because of an input to explain what a sequence is to identify that a program includes sequences of commands to identify that the sequence of a program is a process to explain that the order of commands can affect a program's output

to identify that different sequences can achieve the same output

to identify that different sequences can achieve different outputs

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To explain that you can program a loop to stop after a specific number of times.

To identify patterns in a sequence

To explain the importance of instruction order in a loop To recognise that not all tools enable more than one process to be run at once

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<u>Year 5</u>

Computing systems and networks - sharing information

to recognise that a system is a set of interconnected parts which work together explain that computers can be connected to form IT systems identify that data can be transferred between IT systems recognise inputs, processes and outputs explain the role of search engines and web crawlers explain how search results are ranked and selected explain how search engines make money through advertising identify some of the limitations of search engines

Creating media - vector drawing

identify that a vector drawing comprises separate objects
recognise that each object in a drawing is in its own layer
recognise that vector images can be scaled without impact on quality
recognise that objects can be modified in groups
explain how alignment and size guides can help create a more consistent drawing.
to consider the impact of choices made

Creating media - video editing

explain the features of video as a visual media format recognise which devices can and can't record video explain purpose of a storyboard recognise filming techniques can be used to create different effects recognise the need to review and reflect on a project recognise the limitations of editing identify videos can be edited and improved through reshooting and editing recognise projects need to be exported to be shared

Data and information - Flat file databases

explain that a computer program can be used to organise data.
explain that tools can be used to select data and answer questions.
ordering data allows us to answer some questions
operands can be used to filter data
outline how 'AND' and 'OR' can be used to refine data selection
explain that computer programs can be used to compare data visually
explain that we present information to communicate a message

Programming A - Selection in physical computing

A condition can only be true or false
A count controlled loop contains a condition
Compare a count controlled loop with a condition controlled loop
Explain that a condition controlled loop will stop when a condition is met
Explain that when a condition is met, a loop will complete a cycle before it stops

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<u>Year 6</u>

Computing systems and networks - Communication

that data is transferred across networks using agreed protocols
that connections between computers allow access to shared stored files
that data is transferred in packets
that computers connected to the internet allow people in different places to work together
the opportunities that technology offers for communication and collaboration
explain which types of media can be shared through the internet
that communicating and collaboration using the internet can be public or private

Creating media - 3D modelling

that 3D models can be created on a computer
that a 3D environment can be viewed from different perspectives
that digital tools can be used to manipulate 3D objects
how placeholders can create holes in 3D objects
that artefacts can be broken down into a collection of 3D objects

Creating media - Web page creation

the relationship between HTML and visual display
that web pages can contain different media
that web pages are written by people
that a website is a set of hyperlinked web pages
Different components of a web page layout
The importance of ownership and use of images (copyright)
The need to recognise the need to preview pagesRecognise the need for a navigation path
the implications of linking to content owned by others

Data and information - Spreadsheets

Identify questions that can be answered using spreadsheet data.

Explain what an item of data is in a spreadsheet

Outline that there are different software tools to work with data.

Explain how the data type determines how a spreadsheet can process the data.

Explain that formulas can be used to produce calculated data.

Recognise cells can be linked

Explain why data should be organised in a spreadsheet

Explain why data should be organised in a spreadsheet

Recognise that cell's value automatically updates when the value in a linked cell is changed

Evaluate results in comparison to the question asked

Programming A - Variables in games

Define a variable as something that is changeable and identify examples.

Explain a variable can be used in a program (scoreboard)

Explain a variable has a name or a value

Recognise that a value of a variable can be used by a program and its value can be updated. Variables can hold numbers or letters.you can define the way a variable is changed and recognise that it can be set as a constant

Explain the importance of setting up a variable at the start of a program.

Explain that there is only one value for a variable at any one time and if you change the value of a variable you cannot access the previous value

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