National Curriculum Reference Subject: Computer Science



Key Stage Three:

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Understand the hardware and software components that make up computer	Year 7 Term 1 – E-safety
systems, and how they communicate with one another and with other systems	Year 8 Term 1 – Understanding computers
	Year 8 term 1 – Networks
	Year 9 Term 1 – Database development
	Year 9 Term 3 – HTML and web development
Understand how instructions are stored and executed within a computer system;	Year 7 Term 1 – Graphics (images)
understand how data of various types (including text, sounds and pictures) can be	Year 8 Term 1 – Understanding computers
represented and manipulated digitally, in the form of binary digits	Year 8 Term 3 – Computational thinking
	Year 9 Term 2 – Al and machine learning
Undertake creative projects that involve selecting, using, and combining multiple	Year 7 Term 1 – Graphics
applications, preferably across a range of devices, to achieve challenging goals,	Year 8 Term 3 – App development
including collecting and analysing data and meeting the needs of known users	Year 9 Term 3 – HTML and websites
Create, re-use, revise and re-purpose digital artefacts for a given audience, with	Year 7 Term 1 – Graphics
attention to trustworthiness, design and usability	Year 8 Term 3 – App development
	Year 9 Term 3 – HTML and website development
Understand a range of ways to use technology safely, respectfully, responsibly and	Year 7 Term 1 – E-Safety
securely, including protecting their online identity and privacy; recognise	Year 8 Term 1 – Understanding computers
inappropriate content, contact and conduct and know how to report concerns	Year 9 Term 2 – Al and machine learning.
	Year 9 Term 3 – Computer crime and cyber security

Key Stage Four:

By the end of key stage 4, pupils are expected to know, apply and understand the matters, skills and processes specified in the programme of study.

Pupils should be taught to	At St Gregory's Catholic High School, this is taught
Develop their capability, creativity and knowledge in computer science, digital media and information technology	Year 10 Term 1 & 2 – Data, Computer Hardware and Networks Year 11 Term 1 & 2 – Computational Thinking and Problem Solving
Develop and apply their analytic, problem-solving, design, and computational thinking skills	Year 11 Term 1 & 2 – Computational Thinking and Problem Solving Year 11 Term 1 – Algorithms (Searching and Sorting) Year 11 Term 1 – Computer programming
Understand how changes in technology affect safety, including new ways to protect their online privacy and identity, and how to identify and report a range of concerns	Year 10 Term 3 – Impacts of digital technology