

# COMPUTER SCIENCE KEY STAGE 3

## **MODULES/UNITS IN YEAR 7**

#### <u>Standard Ways of Working (10 hours)</u> In this unit students learn about the basic ways of using a computer and staying safe on the Internet

<u>Spreadsheets (6 hours)</u> In this unit students learn how to use Spreadsheets to perform calculations and automate tasks

Databases In this unit students learn the importance of databases and how they function

<u>Programming Concepts (19 hours)</u> In this unit Students learn the fundamental structures and knowledge required to be able to write their own computer programs

Fundamentals of Computer Systems (12 hours) In this unit students learn how th computer functions

<u>Game Development (15 hours</u> In this unit Students use their programming skjill to write their own games

PROJECTS/SCHEME OF WORK/TOPICS	DURING
Create a spreadsheet model	TERM 1
Create their own database	TERM 2
Write a number of programs using Scratch	TERM 2
Create their own game	TERM 3
Create a number of programs using Visual Basic.Net	TERM 4
Code a website	TERM 5
Program a microcomputer	TERM 6

### **MODULES/UNITS IN YEAR 8**

Data representation (13 hours) In this unit Students learn about how data is represented by the computer e.g. binary

<u>Practical Programming (22 hours)</u> In this Unit Students are introduced to programming in a high level language such as visual basic

Databases (12 hours) In this Unit Students learn to use the more advanced functions of databases

<u>Web Design (16 hours)</u> In this unit students learn how to code and design web pages

<u>BBC Microbit (7 hours)</u> In this unit students get the opportunity to use microelectronics to further their understanding of how computer systems function

### **OTHER INFORMATION**

The Computer Science Department aims to offer a broad and balanced curriculum at KS3 with the emphasis being on programming and computer systems. We believe this offers students an engaging curriculum which prepares them well for the future and is far more challenging and suitable for our students than an ICT based curriculum