



**The Limes Primary Academy – Learning Pathways Curriculum**  
**Computing Progression Map**



There are 5 different areas within computing: Computer Safety, Computing Systems and Networks, Data and Information, Create Media and Programming. Below shows the progression of skills that will be taught across Years 1 – 6 for each area.

<b>Computer Safety</b>					
<b>N.C. Objectives:</b>					
<b>KS1:</b> Use technology safely and respectfully, keeping personal information private; identify where to go for help and support when they have concerns about content or contact on the internet or other online technologies.					
<b>KS2:</b> Use technology safely, respectfully and responsibly; recognise acceptable/unacceptable behaviour; identify a range of ways to report concerns about content and contact.					
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Learners will develop understanding in the following key areas: the meaning of staying safe online; the importance of keeping personal information and passwords safe; the potential dangers of meeting people online; how to find safe and reliable content; who to go to for help; and how to enjoy safely the many opportunities the internet has to offer.	Learners will develop understanding in the following key areas: the meaning of staying safe online; the importance of keeping personal information and passwords safe; the potential dangers of meeting people online; how to find safe and reliable content; who to go to for help; and how to enjoy safely the many opportunities the internet has to offer.	Learners will develop understanding in the following key areas: the meaning of staying safe online; the importance of keeping personal information and passwords safe; the potential dangers of meeting people online; how to find safe and reliable content; who to go to for help; and how to enjoy safely the many opportunities the internet has to offer.	Through the creation of a cyber-safety game learners will understand the following key areas: the meaning of cyber-bullying and the consequences and outcomes; the importance of privacy settings and keeping passwords safe; the pitfalls of sharing photographs and videos; the phrase 'Think before you send'; the meaning and importance of emoji's' the hidden costs of apps and in-app purchasing. Finally, learners will review all they have learned by inviting guests into the classroom to play the cyber-safety game.	Through the creation of a cyber-safety game learners will understand the following key areas: the meaning of cyber-bullying and the consequences and outcomes; the importance of privacy settings and keeping passwords safe; the pitfalls of sharing photographs and videos; the phrase 'Think before you send'; the meaning and importance of emoji's' the hidden costs of apps and in-app purchasing. Finally, learners will review all they have learned by inviting guests into the classroom to play the cyber-safety game.	Through the creation of a cyber-safety game learners will understand the following key areas: the meaning of cyber-bullying and the consequences and outcomes; the importance of privacy settings and keeping passwords safe; the pitfalls of sharing photographs and videos; the phrase 'Think before you send'; the meaning and importance of emoji's' the hidden costs of apps and in-app purchasing. Finally, learners will review all they have learned by inviting guests into the classroom to play the cyber-safety game.



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**Computing Systems and Networks**

**N.C. Objectives:**

**KS1:** Recognise common uses of information technology beyond school.

**KS1:** Understand computer networks including the internet; how they can provide multiple services, such as the world wide web; and the opportunities they offer for communication and collaboration

Use search technologies effectively, appreciate how results are selected and ranked, and be discerning in evaluating digital content.

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Learners will develop their understanding of technology and how it can help us. They will start to become familiar with the different components of a computer by developing their keyboard and mouse skills. Learners will also consider how to use technology responsibly.	Learners will look at information technology at school and beyond, in settings such as shops, hospitals, and libraries. Learners will investigate how information technology improves our world, and they will learn about using information technology responsibly.	Learners will develop their understanding of digital devices, with an initial focus on inputs, processes, and outputs. They also compare digital and non-digital devices. Following this, learners are introduced to computer networks, including devices that make up a network's infrastructure, such as wireless access points and switches. The unit concludes with learners discovering the benefits of connecting devices in a network.	Learners will apply their knowledge and understanding of networks, to appreciate the internet as a network of networks which need to be kept secure. They will learn that the World Wide Web is part of the internet, and be given opportunities to explore the World Wide Web for themselves to learn about who owns content and what they can access, add, and create. Finally they will evaluate online content to decide how honest, accurate, or reliable it is, and understand the consequences of false information.	Learners will develop their understanding of computer systems and how information is transferred between systems and devices. Learners will consider small-scale systems as well as large-scale systems. They will explain the input, output, and process aspects of a variety of different real-world systems. Learners will also take part in a collaborative online project with other class members and develop their skills in working together online.	Learners will learn about the World Wide Web as a communication tool. First, they will learn how we find information on the World Wide Web, through learning how search engines work (including how they select and rank results) and what influences searching, and through comparing different search engines. They will then investigate different methods of communication, before focusing on internet-based communication. Finally, they will evaluate which methods of internet communication to use for particular purposes.



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**Data and Information**

**N.C. Objectives:**

**KS1:** Use technology purposefully to create, organise, store, manipulate and retrieve digital content.

**KS2:** Use search technologies effectively, appreciate how results are selected and ranked, and be discerning in evaluating digital content.

Select, use and combine a variety of software (including internet services) on a range of digital devices to design and create a range of programs, systems and content that accomplish given goals, including collecting, analysing, evaluating and presenting data and information

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Learners will begin by using labels to put objects into groups, and labelling these groups. They will demonstrate that they can count a small number of objects, before and after the objects are grouped. Pupils will then begin to demonstrate their ability to sort objects into different groups, based on the properties they choose. Finally, pupils will use their ability to sort objects into different groups to answer questions about data.	Learners will begin to understand what the term data means and how data can be collected in the form of a tally chart. They will learn the term 'attribute' and use this to help them organise data. They will then progress onto presenting data in the form of pictograms and finally block diagrams. Learners will use the data presented to answer questions.	Learners will develop their understanding of what a branching database is and how to create one. They will gain an understanding of what attributes are and how to use them to sort groups of objects by using yes/no questions. The learners will create physical and on-screen branching databases. Finally, they will evaluate the effectiveness of branching databases and will decide what types of data should be presented as a branching database.	Learners will consider how and why data is collected over time. Pupils will consider the senses that humans use to experience the environment and how computers can use special input devices called sensors to monitor the environment. Pupils will collect data as well as access data captured over long periods of time. They will look at data points, data sets, and logging intervals. Pupils will spend time using a computer to review and analyse data. Towards the end of the unit, pupils will pose questions and then use data loggers to automatically collect the data needed to answer those questions.	Learners will use tools within a database to order and answer questions about data. They create graphs and charts from their data to help solve problems. They use a real-life database to answer a question, and present their work to others.	Introduces the learners to spreadsheets. They will be supported in organising data into columns and rows to create their own data set. Learners will be taught the importance of formatting data to support calculations, while also being introduced to formulas and will begin to understand how they can be used to produce calculated data. Learners will be taught how to apply formulas that include a range of cells, and apply formulas to multiple cells by duplicating them. Learners will use spreadsheets to plan an event and answer questions. Finally, learners will create graphs and charts, and evaluate their results in comparison to questions asked.



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**Create Media**

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**KS2:** Select, use and combine a variety of software (including internet services) on a range of digital devices to design and create a range of programs, systems and content that accomplish given goals, including collecting, analysing, evaluating and presenting data and information.

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<p>Digital Painting - Learners develop their understanding of a range of tools used for digital painting. They then use these tools to create their own digital paintings, while gaining inspiration from a range of artists' work. The unit concludes with learners considering their preferences when painting with and without the use of digital devices</p> <p>Digital Writing – Learners will develop their understanding of the various aspects of using a computer to create and manipulate text. Learners will become more familiar with using a keyboard and mouse to enter and remove text. Learners will also consider how to</p>	<p>Digital Photography - Learners will learn to recognise that different devices can be used to capture photographs and will gain experience capturing, editing, and improving photos. Finally, they will use this knowledge to recognise that images they see may not be real.</p> <p>Making Music – Learners will be using a computer to create music. They will listen to a variety of pieces of music and consider how music can make them think and feel. Learners will compare creating music digitally and non-digitally. Learners will look at patterns and purposefully create music.</p>	<p>Animation – Learners will use a range of techniques to create a stop-frame animation using tablets. Next, they will apply those skills to create a story-based animation. This unit will conclude with learners adding other types of media to their animation, such as music and text.</p> <p>Desktop Publishing – Learners will become familiar with the terms 'text' and 'images' and understand that they can be used to communicate messages. They will use desktop publishing software and consider careful choices of font size, colour and type to edit and improve premade documents. Learners will be introduced to the terms</p>	<p>Audio Editing Learners will initially examine devices capable of recording digital audio, which will include identifying the input device (microphone) and output devices (speaker or headphones) if available. Learners will discuss the ownership of digital audio and the copyright implications of duplicating the work of others. In order to record audio themselves, learners will use Audacity to produce a podcast, which will include editing their work, adding multiple tracks, and opening and saving the audio files. Finally, learners will evaluate their work and give feedback to their peers.</p>	<p>Vector Drawing Learners will find out that vector images are made up of shapes. They will learn how to use the different drawing tools and how images are created in layers. They will explore the ways in which images can be grouped and duplicated to support them in creating more complex pieces of work. This unit is planned using the Google Drawings app other alternative pieces of software are available.</p> <p>Video Editing - This unit gives learners the opportunity to learn how to create short videos in groups. As they progress through this unit, they will be</p>	<p>3D Modelling - Learners will develop their knowledge and understanding of using a computer to produce 3D models. Learners will initially familiarise themselves with working in a 3D space, including combining 3D objects to make a house and examining the differences between working digitally with 2D and 3D graphics. Learners will progress to making accurate 3D models of physical objects, such as a pencil holder, which include using 3D objects as placeholders. Finally, learners will examine the need to group 3D objects, then go on to plan, develop, and evaluate their own 3D model of a photo frame.</p>



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<p>change the look of their text, and will be able to justify their reasoning in making these changes. Finally, learners will consider the differences between using a computer to create text, and writing text on paper. They will be able to explain which method they prefer and explain their reasoning for choosing this.</p>		<p>'templates', 'orientation', and 'placeholders' and begin to understand how these can support them in making their own template for a magazine front cover. They will start to add text and images to create their own pieces of work using desktop publishing software. Learners will look at a range of page layouts thinking carefully about the purpose of these and evaluate how and why desktop publishing is used in the real world.</p>	<p>Photo editing - Learners will develop their understanding of how digital images can be changed and edited, and how they can then be resaved and reused. They will consider the impact that editing images can have, and evaluate the effectiveness of their choices.</p>	<p>exposed to topic-based language and develop the skills of capturing, editing, and manipulating video. Active learning is encouraged through guided questions and by working in small groups to investigate the use of devices and software. Learners are guided with step-by-step support to take their idea from conception to completion. At the teacher's discretion, the use of green screen can be incorporated into this unit. At the conclusion of the unit, learners have the opportunity to reflect on and assess their progress in creating a video.</p>	<p>Web Page Creation – Introduces learners to the creation of websites for a chosen purpose. Learners identify what makes a good web page and use this information to design and evaluate their own website using Google Sites. Throughout the process learners pay specific attention to copyright and fair use of media, the aesthetics of the site, and navigation paths.</p>
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**Programming**

**N.C. Objectives:**

**KS1:** understand what algorithms are; how they are implemented as programs on digital devices; and that programs execute by following precise and unambiguous instructions. Create and debug simple programs. Use logical reasoning to predict the behaviour of simple programs

**KS2:** Design, write and debug programs that accomplish specific goals, including controlling or simulating physical systems; solve problems by decomposing them into smaller parts. Use sequence, selection, and repetition in programs; work with variables and various forms of input and output. Use logical reasoning to explain how some simple algorithms work and to detect and correct errors in algorithms and programs

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<p>Moving a Robot - Learners will explore using individual commands, both with other learners and as part of a computer program. They will identify what each floor robot command does and use that knowledge to start predicting the outcome of programs. The unit is paced to ensure time is spent on all aspects of programming and builds knowledge in a structured manner. Learners are also introduced to the early stages of program design through the introduction of algorithms.</p> <p>Introduction to Animation – introduces learners to on-screen programming through</p>	<p>Robot Algorithms – Develops learners' understanding of instructions in sequences and the use of logical reasoning to predict outcomes. Pupils will use given commands in different orders to investigate how the order affects the outcome. Pupils will also learn about design in programming. They will develop artwork and test it for use in a program. They will design algorithms and then test those algorithms as programs and debug them.</p> <p>Introduction to Quizzes –</p> <p>Learners begin to understand that sequences of commands have an outcome, and make predictions based on</p>	<p>Sequence in Music – Learners will be introduced to a selection of motion, sound, and event blocks which they will use to create their own programs, featuring sequences. The final project is to make a representation of a piano. The unit is paced to focus on all aspects of sequences, and make sure that knowledge is built in a structured manner. Learners also apply stages of program design through this unit.</p> <p>Events and Actions – Learners begin by moving a sprite in four directions (up, down, left, and right). They then explore movement within the context of a maze, using design to choose</p>	<p>Repetition in Shapes Learners will create programs by planning, modifying, and testing commands to create shapes and patterns. They will use Logo, a text-based programming language.</p> <p>Repetition in games – Learners will explore the concept of repetition in programming using the Scratch environment. The unit begins with a Scratch activity similar to that carried out in Logo in Programming unit A, where learners can discover similarities between two environments. Learners look at the difference between count-controlled and infinite loops, and use their knowledge to modify existing animations and</p>	<p>Selection in Physical Computing Learners will use physical computing to explore the concept of selection in programming through the use of the Crumble programming environment. Learners will be introduced to a microcontroller (Crumble controller) and learn how to connect and program components (including output devices — LEDs and motors) through the application of their existing programming knowledge. Learners will be introduced to conditions as a means of controlling the flow of actions, and explore how these can be used in algorithms and programs through the use of an input device (push switch). Learners</p>	<p>Variables in Games –</p> <p>pupils will learn what variables are, and relate them to real-world examples of values that can be set and changed. Pupils will then use variables to create a simulation of a scoreboard. In Lessons 2, 3, and 5, which follow the Use-Modify-Create model, pupils will experiment with variables in an existing project, then modify them, then they will create their own project. In Lesson 4, pupils will focus on design. Finally, in Lesson 6, pupils will apply their knowledge of variables and design to improve their game in Scratch.</p> <p>Sensing – This unit brings together elements of all the four</p>



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<p>ScratchJr. Learners will explore the way a project looks by investigating sprites and backgrounds. They will use programming blocks to use, modify, and create programs. Learners will also be introduced to the early stages of program design through the introduction of algorithms.</p>	<p>their learning. They use and modify designs to create their own quiz questions in ScratchJr, and realise these designs in ScratchJr using blocks of code. Finally, learners evaluate their work and make improvements to their programming projects.</p>	<p>an appropriately sized sprite. This unit also introduces programming extensions, through the use of <b>Pen</b> blocks. Learners are given the opportunity to draw lines with sprites and change the size and colour of lines. The unit concludes with learners designing and coding their own maze-tracing program.</p>	<p>games using repetition. Their final project is to design and create a game which uses repetition, applying stages of programming design throughout.</p>	<p>will make use of their knowledge of repetition and conditions when introduced to the concept of selection (through the 'if... then...' structure) and write algorithms and programs that utilise this concept. To conclude the unit, learners will design and make a working model of a fairground carousel that will incorporate their understanding of how the microcontroller and its components are connected, and how selection can be used to control the operation of the model. Throughout this unit, pupils will apply the stages of programming design.</p> <p>Selection in Quizzes – Pupils develop their knowledge of 'selection' by revisiting how 'conditions' can be used in programming, and then learning how the 'if... then... else...' structure can be used to select different outcomes depending on whether a condition is 'true' or</p>	<p>programming constructs: sequence from Year 3, repetition from Year 4, selection from Year 5, and variables (introduced in Year 6 – 'Programming A'. It offers learners the opportunity to use all of these constructs in a different, but still familiar environment, while also utilising a physical device — the micro:bit. The unit begins with a simple program for learners to build in and test in the programming environment, before transferring it to their micro:bit. Learners then take on three new projects in Lessons 2, 3, and 4, with each lesson adding more depth.</p> <p>Design features prominently in this unit. A design template is introduced in Lesson 3, initially scaffolded to give learners the opportunity to create code from a given design. In Lesson 4 that scaffolding is gradually reduced, then in Lesson 5, learners create their own design, using the same template. In the</p>
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				<p>'false'. They represent this understanding in algorithms, and then by constructing programs using the Scratch programming environment. They learn how to write programs that ask questions and use selection to control the outcomes based on the answers given. They use this knowledge to design a quiz in response to a given task and implement it as a program. To conclude the unit, learners evaluate their program by identifying how it meets the requirements of the task, the ways they have improved it, and further ways it could be improved.</p>	<p>final lesson, learners will apply their knowledge of the programming constructs and use their design to create their own micro:bit-based step counter.</p>
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