

Co-op Academy Walkden Curriculum Overview 2022-23

Computing, Creative iMedia/ ICT, Computer Science

Key Stage 3/4

Year Group		AU1	AU2	SP1	SP2	SU1	SU2
7	Core Theme	Using Technology Safely	Computer Systems	Computational Thinking Abstraction and Decomposition	Using Applications to solve problems	Using Applications to collect and analyse data	Computational Thinking Problem Solving
	Unit of Work	Understanding and demonstrating E-safety practices when online Understanding the origins and how Animation is created	Identifying the differences and features of Hardware & Software Inputs, Outputs & Storage	Understanding the three basic constructs of programming (sequence, selection & iteration) using Scratch Programming	Understanding how Spreadsheet modelling is used in the modern world Spreadsheet modelling skillbuilding	Investigating and understanding the social, ethical and legal issues associated with modern day Computing	Introducing and resolving practical programming problems using Micro:bits
8	Core Theme	Using Applications Design, usability and trustworthiness	Using Applications Create and repurpose digital artefacts	Computational Thinking Data Structures	Using Applications Meeting needs of target audiences	Digital Representation	Using Applications App Design
	Unit of Work	Understanding and demonstrating E-safety practices when using social media Understanding the origin and current Trends in Computing	Identifying and applying principles of Logo Design	Introduction to Python programming - Data Types and Iteration (Count controlled vs conditional)	Understanding the principles of Web Design (HTML) Application of knowledge through completion of the Creative project	Exploring data representation and how Text, Sound & Images are handled by computing systems	Developing skills in digital product design using ICT App Design
9	Core Theme	Using Applications Planning and designing Digital Products	Programming Python	Using Applications Web Design	Computer Systems	Using Applications	Using Applications Databases
	Unit of Work	Understanding and demonstrating E-safety practices - peer pressure Fireworks / Photoshop	Developing programming skills using List, tables and arrays	Developing web design skills using commercial software packages - Serif WebPlus (Skill Building)	Understanding how computer Networks and components are connected	Developing digital products using ICT - Game Design / Animation (Skill Building)	Understanding the theory of Data Science

		Exploring graphic design (skill building)					
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Creative iMedia (ICT) - OCR Cambridge Nationals

Year Group		AU1	AU2	SP1	SP2	SU1	SU2
10	Core Theme	Unit R093: Creative iMedia in the Media Industry (Exam)			Unit R094: Visual Identity and Digital Graphics (NEA)		
	Unit of Work	<p>Topic Area 1: The Media Industry</p> <p>Media industry sectors and products</p> <p>Job roles in the media industry</p>	<p>Topic Area 2: Factors influencing product design</p> <p>How are style, content and layout linked to the purpose?</p> <p>Client requirements and how they are defined</p> <p>Audience demographics and segmentation</p> <p>Research methods, sources and types of data</p> <p>Media codes used to convey meaning, create impact and/or engage audiences</p>	<p>Topic Areas 3 & 4: Pre-production planning & Distribution considerations</p> <p>Work planning</p> <p>Documents used to support ideas generation</p> <p>Documents used to plan and design media products</p> <p>The legal issues that affect media</p> <p>Distribution platforms and media to reach audiences</p> <p>Properties and formats of media files</p>	<p>Topic Area 1: Develop digital identity</p> <p>Purpose, elements and design of visual identity</p>	<p>Topic Area 2: Plan digital graphics for products</p> <p>Graphic design and conventions</p> <p>Properties of digital graphics and use of assets</p> <p>Techniques to plan visual identity and digital graphics</p>	<p>Topic Area 3: Create visual identity and digital graphics</p> <p>Tools and techniques of imaging editing software used to create digital graphics</p> <p>Technical skills to source, create and prepare assets for use within digital graphics</p> <p>Techniques to save and export visual identity and digital graphics</p>
11	Core Theme	Optional Unit (NEA): R097 - Interactive Digital Media / R099 - Digital Games			Revision & Exam Preparation		
	Unit of Work	<p>Topic Area 1: Plan interactive digital media / Plan digital games</p>	<p>Topic Area 2: Create interactive digital media / Create digital games</p>	<p>Topic Area 3: Review interactive digital media / Review digital games</p>	Creative iMedia in the Media Industry		

Computer Science - AQA GCSE

Year Group		AU1	AU2	SP1	SP2	SU1	SU2
10	Core Theme	Systems Architecture	Algorithms	Programming Techniques	Memory & Storage	Producing Robust programs	Wired & Wireless & Network Topologies
	Unit of Work	Principles of the Von Neumann architecture FDE cycle Hardware (ROM/RAM) Embedded systems	Exploring algorithms using abstraction and decomposition. Representation using flow diagrams and pseudocode	Arithmetic operations Variable declaration Constant declaration Application of efficiency through exploring and programming of searching and sorting algorithms	Primary, secondary & tertiary memory Types of storage(volatile, non-volatile), (solid state, magnetic, optical) Cloud storage	Use, understand and know how the following statement types can be combined in programs to create efficient code:- Assignment Iteration (Definite and indefinite) Selection Subroutine (procedure/function).	Types of computer network Wired vs Wireless Network topologies - Bus, Star, Mesh, Ring Network protocols
11	Core Theme	Computing Logic & Data Representation	Systems security & software	Ethical Issues	Revision		
	Unit of Work	Number bases binary & hex Character coding - ASCII & Unicode Text, sound & images Data compression	Methods of network security - authentication, encryption, firewalls, MAC addressing Cyber Security threats, processes and procedures	Current ethical, legal and environmental impacts and risks of digital technology on society. Data privacy issues and protections.	Preparation for final GCSE exam papers		