

KEVICC KS3 Curriculum:	Subject: Computer Science	Key terms and vocabulary. Which words will be explicitly taught & how frequently will understanding be checked? How will assimilation of new vocab be checked? Abstraction Decomposition Algorithm Flowchart Pseudo code Authentication Integer Real/Float String Selection Boolean operator Iteration Definite iteration Indefinite iteration Validation Lists High level language Low level language Translator Compiler Interpreter Syntax error Logic error Runtime error Used in context during lessons and understanding checked in end of unit assessment
Year: 9 Term: 1	Topic: Program Design	
What is the essential knowledge from this unit? What do students need to remember and understand? - Understand the terms Abstraction, Decomposition and Algorithm - Understand that Algorithms can be expressed as Flowcharts or in Pseudo Code - Be able to write simple programs from given pseudo code - Be able to write a simple user authentication program (username/password) - Be able to write simple programs to process numeric inputs (integer, real) - Be able to write simple programs to process text inputs (string) - Understand what selection is and how it is used in programming - Be able to write programs that make use of selection - Understand Boolean operators and use them in selection expressions - Understand what iteration is and how it is used in programming - Understand the difference between definite and indefinite iteration - Be able to write programs that make use of count controlled iteration - Be able to write programs that make use of condition controlled iteration - Be able to write programs that generate and use random numbers - Be able to add validation to user input to check it is acceptable - Understand how lists can be used to store data items for easy processing - Be able to write programs that process data stored in lists - Understand difference between high and low level programming languages - Understand that all programs must be translated to machine code to run - Understand the different types of translators and how they work - Be able to describe the three different types of errors in computer programs		
What prior learning supports understanding of this content? Year 8 unit on text-based programming	How does this content link to future learning? Essential learning for students going on to take GCSE Computer Science course	
Reading: <i>Where in the unit are students supported to read complex academic text?</i> Students will be directed to read age-appropriate content from BBC Bitesize pages and other relevant online sources	Writing: <i>Independent writing tasks and how they are structured</i> Short written answers to worksheet questions	
Key assessments: <i>How will students review the information learned?</i> <i>How will feedback be seen?</i> - Students will get short personalised feedback (mainly verbal) on individual tasks - End of unit assessment in penultimate lesson, with final lesson used to give feedback and enable corrections/improvements		