

Computer Science Curriculum Overview

Curriculum Intent: At Wednesfield Academy we operate with integrity in all that we do, our computer science curriculum is designed to empower, and inspire all students with the knowledge, skills, and attitudes necessary to create the change and development they want to see in their lives through the safe and meaningful use of technology.

Curriculum Rationale: By the end of KS3, students will have gained a **well-rounded** knowledge of the two- core theme of the Computing Programming of Study: technological understanding and programming and application. This then gives them a clear foundation from which they can either continue with a range of computational based qualifications e.g. Computer Science, Media or IT, or they can move away from computational study with the knowledge and skills that are integral to the day- to- day use of technology in any industry and within the wider world.

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Autumn 1	Foundations of Computing	Foundations of Computing 2	Foundations of Computing 3	Systems Architecture Memory and Storage	Boolean logic, programming languages and IDE
Autumn 2	Foundations of Computing	Foundations of Computing 2	Foundations of Computing 3	Algorithms	Paper 2 revision
Spring 1	Networks	Networks 2	Python 2	Reteach based on mock results Computer Networks, connections and protocols / Programming fundamentals Network Security / programming	Revision of course content based on mocks
Spring 2	Ever Changing World	Spreadsheets	Real World Application	Systems Software/ ethical, legal, cultural and environmental impacts of digital technology	Revision based on mock results
Summer 1	Computational Thinking	Big Data	Multimedia Project	Paper 1 content revision plus 1 lesson of programming	

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Summer 2	Scratch	Python 1	Multimedia Project	0	