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1 (grouping data- link to science or project at some point in the year when suitable)	**Computer systems and networks** Learners will develop their understanding of technology and how it can help them in their everyday lives. 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. Note: This lesson has been planned using desktop computers and the (free) program paintz.app, however, it can be taught with laptops. If you are using laptops for this unit, consider spending more time practising and discussing the trackpad.	**Digital writing** *Word processor* Learners will develop their understanding of the various aspects of using a computer to create and manipulate text. They will become more familiar with using a keyboard and mouse to enter and remove text. Learners will also consider how to 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.	**Programming A** *Beebots* This unit introduces learners to early programming concepts. 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.
2 (Pictograms- link to science or project at some point in the year when suitable)	**Computer systems and networks** Learners will develop their understanding of what information technology (IT) is and will begin to identify examples. They will discuss where they have seen IT in school and beyond, in settings such as shops, hospitals, and libraries. Learners will then investigate how IT improves our world, and they will learn about the importance of using IT responsibly.	**Making Music** *chrome music lab* In this unit, 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.	**Programming A** *Beebots* This unit develops pupils' 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.

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3 (branching and databases- link to science at some point in the year when suitable: rocks or animals inc. humans)	**Computer systems and networks** Learners will develop their understanding of digital devices, with an initial focus on inputs, processes, and outputs. They will also compare digital and non-digital devices. Next, learners will be introduced to computer networks, including devices that make up a network's infrastructure, such as wireless access points and switches. Finally, learners will discover the benefits of connecting devices in a network. You will need digital devices for learners to interact with during this unit. Lesson 3 requires digital devices with a painting application. Lesson 6 includes a 'network tour', which involves learners identifying key parts of your school network. You will therefore need access to your school's server, switch, and wireless access points.	**Desktop Publishing** *Adobe Spark (can be adapted to word)* 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 '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. The suggested application for this unit is Adobe Spark. To use Spark accounts are needed for learners. A guide to creating accounts is provided in lesson 2. Adobe Spark is web based and can be used on tablets, desktops and laptops.	**Programming A- Sequence in Music** *Scratch* This unit explores the concept of sequencing in programming through Scratch. It begins with an introduction to the programming environment, which will be new to most learners. They 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.

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4 (data logging- link to science temperature in states of matter at some point in the year when suitable)	**Computer systems and networks** 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 will be given opportunities to explore the World Wide Web for themselves in order 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. This unit requires devices with an internet connection. Chrome Music Lab is used in one lesson to demonstrate content which can be produced on the World Wide Web.	**Photo editing** *(paint.net or your chosen image editor)* In this unit, 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.	**Programming A- Repetition in shapes** *Logo* Learners will create programs by planning, modifying, and testing commands to create shapes and patterns. They will use Logo, a text-based programming language. This unit is the first of the two programming units in Year 4, and looks at repetition and loops within programming

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5 (flat file databases- link to science at some point in the year when suitable)	**Computer systems and networks** In this unit, 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.	**Video editing** *(Use Microsoft Video Editor)* Learners will learn how to create short videos by working in pairs or groups. As they progress through this unit, they will be exposed to topic-based language and develop the skills of capturing, editing, and manipulating video. Learners are guided with step-by-step support to take their idea from conception to completion. At the conclusion of the unit, learners have the opportunity to reflect on and assess their progress in creating a video. To teach this unit, you will need video recording equipment such as video cameras or tablets with video capabilities. The recommended editing software is Microsoft Video Editor, which is included for free with Windows 10.	**Programming A - Selection in physical computing** *Crumble*- Hire! Science Oxford? In this unit, 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 it to control components (including output devices — LEDs and motors). Learners will be introduced to conditions as a means of controlling the flow of actions in a program. Learners 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 demonstrate 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, learners will apply the stages of programming design.

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6 (spreadsheets- link to science at some point in the year when suitable)	**Computer systems and networks** In this unit, the class 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.	**Web-page creation** *(Currently planned as a google lesson- could be adapted or downloaded for children to use)* Learners will be introduced to creating 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. It is recommended that learners use laptop or desktop computers for this unit of work. The unit has been based on the use of Google Sites, which is free to use with any Google account. If your school uses the free Google Workspace for Education, your Google administrator can create accounts for pupils and also ensure that the Google Sites feature is enabled. If you don't have a school Google Workspace account, your school may choose to set one up or you may opt to create individual Google accounts for your learners to use. Whichever option you choose, it should be in line with your school's policies.	**Programming A- Variables in games** *Scratch* In this unit, 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.