

Skills progression in Computing – Year 4 with examples of tasks/resources using the Purple Mash Learning Platform

	Computer Science				Information Technology	Digital Literacy	
Statement	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.	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.	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.	Use technology safely, respectfully and responsibly; recognise acceptable/unacceptable behaviour; identify a range of ways to report concern about content and contact.
Possible Outcomes	When turning a real-life situation into an algorithm, the children's design shows that they are thinking of the required task and how to accomplish this in code using coding structures for selection and repetition. Children make more intuitive attempts to debug their own programs.	Children's use of timers to achieve repetition effects are becoming more logical and are integrated into their program designs. They understand 'if statements' for selection and attempt to combine these with other coding structures including variables to achieve the effects that they design in their programs. As well as understanding how variables can be used to store information while a program is executing, they are able to use and manipulate the value of variables. Children can make use of user inputs and outputs such as 'print to screen'. e.g. 2Code .	Children's designs for their programs show that they are thinking of the structure of a program in logical, achievable steps and absorbing some new knowledge of coding structures. For example, 'if' statements, repetition and variables. They can trace code and use step-through methods to identify errors in code and make logical attempts to correct this. e.g. traffic light algorithm in 2Code . In programs such as Logo, they can 'read' programs with several steps and predict the outcome accurately.	Children recognise the main component parts of hardware which allow computers to join and form a network. Their ability to understand the online safety implications associated with the ways the internet can be used to provide different methods of communication is improving.	Children understand the function, features and layout of a search engine. They can appraise selected webpages for credibility and information at a basic level. . Children are able to make improvements to digital solutions based on feedback.	Children make informed software choices when presenting information and data. They create linked content using a range of software such as 2Connect and 2Publish+ . Children share digital content within their community, i.e. using Virtual Display Boards .	Children can explore key concepts relating to online safety using concept mapping such as 2Connect . They can help others to understand the importance of online safety. Children know a range of ways of reporting inappropriate content and contact.