



Computing POLICY

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1. Curriculum Intent –Computing Curriculum Intent:

At Barley Croft, we aim to provide children with a variety of computing experiences and equip them with the skills needed for an ever-changing digital world. We intend to provide our children with opportunities to use computing across the curriculum to: enhance learning, enable them to develop problem solving skills and encourage them to think creatively. We aim to develop independent learners who are fluent in their understanding of computer science by teaching them how to use a range of programs where they are able to design, create and evaluate their work. We hope, that by providing our students with varied and frequent use of technology, they begin to understand the many ways in which technology can be used effectively both in and out of the classroom and also give them an awareness of some of the many careers that are related to computer science. With technology playing such a pivotal part in our students' lives, it is vital that we teach our students to use technology positively, responsibly and safely. We ensure our children are taught the importance of safe internet use. In every year group, e-safety is a key focus. Our ambition is for our children to leave us having an established understanding of how to stay safe while using technology and equipped with computing skills which they will be able to apply to their further education and future careers.

The Geography Curriculum supports the whole school curriculum intent by delivering a curriculum that:

- Plan lessons which have a clear real-world purpose and context that draws on the unique history, geography and diversity of our locality and beyond.
- Build new skills and knowledge in a progressive and systematic way which allows children to link their learning.
- Teach in a way that allows children to understand the purpose of their learning both now and in their future pathway through life.
- Know that all members of the school family are unique and valued.
- Teach children to celebrate their own and others' cultural similarities and differences.
- Enrich children's education through trips, visitors and new experiences.
- Provide opportunities for children to develop their oracy skills throughout the curriculum.
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- Showcase children's learning innovatively to a range of audiences.

2. Organisation and planning - Implementation of the Computing Curriculum

The knowledge and skills progression map for Computing (Appendix A) is organised to ensure it is delivered in the manner it is intended and demonstrates that it considers:

- That the curriculum approach is creative, broad and makes links to other subjects.

- How the skills and knowledge are designed, delivered and sequenced, considering the planning of Computing, through the use of the Knowledge Organisers.
- That the children have access to high quality resources and tools to enable effective curriculum delivery.

3. Legislation and guidance

This policy reflects the requirements of the [National Curriculum programmes of study](#), which all maintained schools in England must teach.

It also reflects requirements for inclusion and equality as set out in the [Special Educational Needs and Disability Code of Practice 2014](#) and [Equality Act 2010](#), and refers to curriculum-related expectations of governing boards set out in the Department for Education's [Governance Handbook](#).

In addition, this policy acknowledges the requirements for promoting the learning and development of children set out in the [Early Years Foundation Stage 2020 – Early Adopters - framework](#).

4. Roles and responsibilities

4.1 The governing board

The governing board will monitor the effectiveness of this policy and hold the head teacher to account for its implementation. The governing board will also ensure that:

- A robust framework is in place for setting curriculum priorities and aspirational targets
- Enough teaching time is provided for pupils to cover the National Curriculum and other statutory requirements
- It fulfils its role in processes to disapply pupils from all or part of the National Curriculum, where appropriate, and in any subsequent appeals.

4.2 Head teacher

The head teacher is responsible for ensuring that this policy is adhered to, and that:

- All required elements of the curriculum, and those subjects which the school chooses to offer, have aims and objectives which reflect the aims of the school and indicate how the needs of individual pupils will be met
- The amount of time provided for teaching the required elements of the curriculum is adequate and is reviewed by the governing board
- Where appropriate, the individual needs of some pupils are met by permanent or temporary disapplication from all or part of the National Curriculum
- They manage requests to withdraw children from curriculum subjects, where appropriate
- The school's procedures for assessment meet all legal requirements

- The governing board is fully involved in decision-making processes that relate to the breadth and balance of the curriculum
- The governing board is advised on whole-school targets in order to make informed decisions
- Proper provision is in place for pupils with different abilities and needs, including children with SEN

4.3 Subject Leaders

Subject Leaders will ensure that their curriculum subject is implemented in accordance with this policy.

5. Inclusion

Teachers set high expectations for all pupils. They will use appropriate assessment to set ambitious targets and plan challenging work for all groups, including:

- More able pupils
- Pupils with low prior attainment
- Pupils from disadvantaged backgrounds
- Pupils with SEN
- Pupils with English as an additional language (EAL)

Teachers will plan lessons so that pupils with SEN and/or disabilities can study every National Curriculum subject, wherever possible, and ensure that there are no barriers to every pupil achieving.

Teachers will also take account of the needs of pupils whose first language is not English. Lessons will be planned so that teaching opportunities help pupils to develop their English, and to support pupils to take part in all subjects.

6. Subject Monitoring arrangements

Governors monitor coverage of National Curriculum subjects and compliance with other statutory requirements through:

- Governors monitor whether the school is complying with its funding agreement and teaching a “broad and balanced curriculum” which includes the required subjects, through planned Governor Visits, reading the end of year subject SEFs and Subject Action Plans and looking at subject data and outcomes.
- Subject Leaders monitor the way their subject is taught throughout the school by: planning scrutiny – looking at Knowledge Organisers – considering the coverage, taught knowledge, skills & vocabulary. Learning walks – which monitor the quality of teaching, ensuring this reflects the intent for the subject. The monitoring of work and outcomes – looking at the impact evidence - through the work in books, on display, and in scrapbooks, etc. Staff & pupil interviews to get the teachers and children’s opinions, which support measuring the impact.
- Subject Leaders also have responsibility for monitoring the way in which resources are stored and managed and are responsible for the ordering of new resources and managing the associated budget.
- The Head Teacher and the Subject Leader will review this policy every two years.

7. Links with other policies

This policy links to the following policies and procedures: The Teaching and Learning Handbook.

Appendix A = Progression & Skills Map for Computing –

[bc.computingprogressionskillsmap22.23.pdf](#)