



Computing Statement of Intent

At the Gates, we want pupils to be masters of technology and we aim to give pupils the life-skills that will enable them to embrace and utilise new technology in a socially responsible and safe way in order to flourish.

We want our pupils to be creators and our broad curriculum encompassing digital citizenship, computer science, information technology and digital literacy reflects this. We want our pupils to understand that there is always a choice with using technology and as a school we utilise technology (especially social media) to model positive use.

Our aim is for children to become autonomous, independent users of computing technologies, gaining confidence and enjoyment from their activities. We aim to use of technology to support learning across the entire curriculum and to ensure that our curriculum is accessible to every child. Not only do we want them to be digitally literate and competent end-users of technology but through our computer science lessons we want them to develop creativity, resilience and problem-solving and critical thinking skills. Specialist vocabulary for topics is taught and built upon, and effective questioning to communicate ideas is encouraged.

We want our pupils to have a breadth of experience to develop their understanding of themselves as individuals within their community but also as members of a wider global community and as responsible digital citizens.