Adaptation of the computing curriculum

Computing at OJS

We will continue to offer a broad and balanced curriculum; however some elements of the computing curriculum and logistics have had to be adapted in response to COVID 19. During this time, to ensure the safety of our pupils and staff we have adapted this subject by taking physical distancing and sharing of resources into account.

We:

- ventilate rooms well.
- seat children side by side, facing the same direction.
- avoid large gatherings school assemblies will take place through invites via Teams meetings.
- have made the decision to disband clubs that would involve the mixing of bubbles.
- have reconsidered or cancelled group activities to avoid the sharing of equipment and children facing each other.
- allowed continued opportunities for CPD, these are either accessed remotely or by staff of limited numbers in a socially distanced environment.

During computing lessons:

- Wash hands at the beginning and end of sessions
- Hardware, such as laptops or I-pads, are to be sanitized before and after use.
- Limit, where possible, the contact that equipment has between staff and pupils when being handed out and collected in.
- For when required, children have individual equipment such as scissors, glue, pencils, pens and rulers.
- Any other shared equipment will be cleaned before and after use
- Any other resources will to distributed individually to children and not shared

These considerations are allowing the curriculum of computing to be taught effectively and consistently across year groups and bubbles, though we are aware that the added requirements of cleaning and transition times may reduce the amount of lesson time.

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