

INSPIRE Curriculum Support for SEND: Computing

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Physical and Sensory Needs

Use of accessibility features on iPad e.g. screen reader if required.

Substitute some virtual resources for physical e.g. continue to use Beebots in Y2 instead of relying on app version for lesson delivery.

Provide headphones where required to ensure children are not overstimulated.

Mixture of offline activities to increase sensory range including on paper, movement-based ensuring classrooms are organised for free

Online learning tools in all lessons to ensure pupils can work verbally, online and on paper if needed.

Verbal explanations simplified when needed and short chunked activities to support children who can become overwhelmed.

Social and Emotional Needs

Take time to find pupil's strengths and praise these – ensure that the pupil has opportunities to demonstrate their skills to maintain self-confidence.

Allow time away from the screen so pupils can regulate, this could be by doing a job or using a "fiddle toy".

1:1 support provided where required, time out and pacing adapted to suit pupil needs.

Planning adapted to pupil sensitivities and coverage in e-safety content.

Spiral curriculum allows linking to earlier year material.

Scheme chunked and built upon prior learning which gives pupils opportunity to use prior learning throughout new learning.

Mixture of individual partnered and group work. (ensuring the groupings are positive role models)

To give transition warnings to pupils (may be a 5-minute warning) before iPad removal or new learning.

Cognition and Learning

Same outcomes by different routes e.g. adapt previous year group materials to scaffold.

Pre-teaching key vocabulary/learning.

Key vocabulary

Knowledge organisers

Retrieval and quizzing

Segmented lessons taking account of cognitive load.

Alter iPad screen when required.

Occasional opportunities to explore iPads and get familiar with different apps.

Introduce auto-correct for those children with dyslexia when using iPads for writing.

Use word banks.

Communication and Interaction

Rules of good listening and good use of iPads displayed, taught, modelled and regularly reinforced.

TA's used effectively to explain and support pupils to ask and answer questions.

Use of screen reader if necessary.

Use of text to speech if necessary.

Translation tools available for EAL pupils.

1:1 support where needed.

Read aloud to children and give opportunities for choral reading.

Explain activities clearly and slowly, using visuals when required.



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