



Y8 Computer Science

Dear Parent/Carer

The DfE and ourselves have noticed that female students are less likely to choose Computer Science as an option when they make their option choices. Along with the DfE and the National Centre for Computing Education we are piloting a Gender balance programme in year 8.

What this means is that your child will study a scheme of work in their Computer Science lessons, along with many other year 8 students across the country, developed and provided by the National Centre for Computing Education. The resources are aimed towards engaging more females in choosing options like Computer Science in the future. The scheme of work is suitable for any gender and all students can still participate.

As part of this scheme of work a pre survey and a post survey will be carried out to gather some feedback from students. Attached is a letter with more information, if you would like your child to opt out of the data collection and surveys please do complete the form linked in the attached letter. Otherwise, you do not need to do anything else and your child's input into the surveys will support the national picture to attract more females to Computer Science options.

Yours sincerely

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