Great Chart Primary School Our Computing Vision Statement

At Great Chart School we aim to prepare our children to be "lifelong learners" with the confidence and ability to develop their skills and understanding when meeting new challenges. Their learning environment should contribute to the development of these skills and they should have access to suitable, up-to-date equipment and emerging technologies.

As computing is an increasing part of life today it is essential that all pupils gain the confidence and ability that they need in this subject, to prepare them for the challenge of a rapidly developing and changing technological world. The use of ICT will enhance and extend children's learning across the whole curriculum whilst developing motivation and social skills.

Our vision is that the use of these technologies will enrich the experience of all pupils and that these resources will help to provide an environment without boundaries, where opportunities can be explored in safety and confidence.

Our aim is to enable all our staff and pupils to be confident, competent, and independent users of ICT. We aim to use computing where appropriate to motivate and inspire pupils and raise standards across the curriculum. We will ensure teachers have the necessary training to deliver an up to date curriculum.

We also aim to develop pupil's computing skills, knowledge, understanding and capability through taught computing lessons and to provide opportunities for pupils to apply and consolidate their capability across all curriculum contexts as well as to provide an environment where access to ICT resources is natural and commonplace.

We will ensure that children are aware of the possible risks when using the internet through a rolling programme of assemblies and specific lessons as well as making sure the rules are displayed by every computer area. Children and parents will be advised on the procedures and any breach of these will be noted and parents informed when necessary. Parents and children will be given any information necessary to keep them safe online both inside and outside of school.

We will endeavour to keep pace with educational developments in computing and have a commitment to teachers having the necessary tools to do their jobs effectively. We will continue to ensure we have access to the most effective and emerging technologies.