School Subjects Introduction

12. Information and Communication Technology

I. Aims

- (a) provide students with a body of essential knowledge, concepts and applications of information, communication and computer systems;
- (b) equip students with problem-solving and communication skills, and encourage them to think critically and creatively;
- (c) develop students into competent, effective, discriminating, ethical and confident users of ICT, so as to support their lifelong learning; and
- (d) provide students with opportunities to appreciate the impact of ICT on our knowledge-based society, so as to nurture in them positive values and attitudes towards this area.

II. Curriculum Structure

- 1. The compulsory part (144 hours)
- A. Information Processing
- B. Computer System Fundamentals
- C. Internet and its Applications
- D. Computational Thinking and Programming
- E. Social Implications

2. The elective part (76 hours)— Two of the three options

- A. Database
- B. Web Application Development
- C. Algorithm and Programming
- 3. School-based Assessment (30 hours)

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III. Assessment

Component		Weighting	Duration
Public Examination	Paper 1 Compulsory Part	55%	2 hours
	Paper 2 Elective Part	25%	1 hour 30 minutes
School-based Assessment (SBA)		20%	