

Subject	Computer Science			
Title/Topic		Format	Length	Date
Paper 1 – Computer Systems		Written Paper	2 hours 30 minutes	Wednesday 4 January 9.15am – 11.45am
Paper 2 – Problem Solving,		Written Paper	2 hours 30 minutes	Wednesday 11 January 9.15am – 11.45am

### My Advent assessment will test my knowledge on...

#### Paper 1

- Binary Data
  - Unsigned numbers
  - Hexadecimal conversion
  - Normalising a floating-point binary number
  - Converting binary floating point to decimal
  - Adding floating-point values
- CPU Performance Factors including pipelining
- RAM and ROM
- Legislation Computer Misuse Act
- Uses of a GPU
- Object Oriented Programming Writing a class template
- Web Development
  - Purpose of HTML and CSS
  - Completing a Javascript function
  - Client-side vs server-side processing
- Storage devices Solid state vs magnetic
- Data Structures Stacks and gueues
- Databases
  - o Flat file vs relational db, primary key, secondary key, foreign key
  - Normalisation
- Boolean Algebra
  - o Writing expressions from circuit diagrams
  - Simplifying a Boolean expression
  - Completing a truth table
- Addressing modes comparison between them and how they function
- CPU Architecture Registers in the CPU
- Little Man Computer Assembly
  - o Tracing through an existing program
  - Convert assembly to a high-level language equivalent



• Data Structures – Binary trees, linked lists, hash tables

#### Paper 2

- Binary Search vs Linear Search
- Errors Syntax vs Logic
- CPU Pipelining
- Tree Traversal Bread first
- Good programming practice Global and local variables
- 2D Arrays, Functions and Constructs
  - Answer questions and solve problems, write solutions that access 2D arrays of data
- Computational Thinking Abstraction, Decomposition, Concurrent Processing
- Big O Notation of standard algorithms
- Sorting algorithms Quicksort
- Algorithms A\* Pathfinding
- Object Oriented Programming Terminology
  - o Methods, Constructor, Inheritence, Encapsulation
  - Writing a constructor method
  - Writing a method
- Circular Queue How they work and implementation in code

## What should I do to revise and prepare for this assessment?

To prepare for this assessment:

1. Use the revision materials provided

# What useful websites/resources could I use to help me prepare?