## Key Vocabulary for Spring Term Overviews

Subject: Computer Science	e Year Group: Y10
Key Learning Points/End Points	Key Vocabulary
Network protocols	<b>Encryption</b> - the process of converting information or data into a code, especially to prevent unauthorized access.
	<b>IP address</b> - a unique string of characters that identifies each computer using the Internet Protocol to communicate over a network.
	MAC address - A media access control address (MAC address) is a unique identifier assigned to a network interface controller (NIC)
	<b>Standards</b> - Networking standards define the rules for data communications that are needed for interoperability of networking technologies and processes.
	<b>Protocols</b> - A network protocol is an established set of rules that determine how data is transmitted between different devices in the same network.
	TCP/IP (Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol)
	HTTP (Hyper Text Transfer Protocol)
	HTTPS (Hyper Text Transfer Protocol Secure)
	FTP (File Transfer Protocol)
	POP (Post Office Protocol)
	IMAP (Internet Message Access Protocol)
	MTP (Simple Mail Transfer Protocol)
	<b>Network layers</b> - The network layer is a portion of online communications that allows for the connection and transfer of data packets between different devices or networks.
System security	Malware - software that is specifically designed to disrupt, damage, or gain unauthorized access to a computer system.
	Phishing - the fraudulent practice of sending emails purporting to be from reputable companies in order to induce individuals to reveal personal information, such as passwords and credit card numbers.
	<b>Social engineering</b> - the act of exploiting human weaknesses to gain access to personal information and protected systems.
	Brute force attacks - A brute force attack uses trial-and-error to guess login info, encryption keys, or find a hidden web page.

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Denial of service attacks - an attack meant to shut down a machine or network, making it inaccessible
to its intended users.
<b>SQL injection</b> - SQL injection is a web security vulnerability that allows an attacker to interfere with the queries that an application makes to its database.
<b>Penetration testing</b> - A penetration test, also known as a pen test, is a simulated cyber attack against your computer system to check for exploitable vulnerabilities.
<b>Firewalls</b> - a firewall is a network security system that monitors and controls incoming and outgoing network traffic based on predetermined security rules.