Knowledge Organiser -Micro: Bits

| Key Vocabulary |  |  |
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| 1 | Micro:bit | A small computer designed by the BBC for use in computer education |
| 2 | Processor | Receives inputs from the computer and produces outputs. |
| 3 | USB | The form of power supply used by the Micro:bit - power is transmitted from the computer via a micro-USB cable. |
| 4 | Buttons | Input devices used within the Micro:bit to control or alter programs whilst running. |
| 5 | LED | (Light emitting diodes) <br> (LEDs) - used on the Micro:bit as a screen in a $5 \times 5$ grid to display information. |
| 6 | Accelerometer | An input device within the Micro:bit to control or alter programs by tilting or moving the device. |
| 7 | Microsoft Block Editor | The visual programming language used to create programs |
| 8 | Algorithm | A set of instructions to be followed to complete a given task or solve a problem. |
| 9 | Program | A sequence of instructions used by a computer. |
| 10 | Sequence | The order which the computer will run code in, one line at a time. |
| 11 | Selection | A decision made by a computer, choosing what code should be run only when certain conditions are met. |
| 12 | Condition | Checking to see whether a statement or sum is true or false. |
| 13 | Iteration | When a section of code is repeated several times - also known as looping. |
| 14 | Variable | A space that can be allocated in a program such as username |
| 15 | Motion detector | "Accelerometer" that can detect movement and tell other devices you're on the go. Featured actions include shake, tilt and freefall. |
| 16 | Magnetometer | To sense which direction you're facing, your movement in degrees, and where you are. Used in detecting location |


| 17 | Bluetooth | Smart Technology to connect to the <br> internet and interact with the world around <br> you. |
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| 18 | Sensor | A light sensor is an input device that <br> measures light levels. Your BBC micro:bit <br> uses the LEDs to sense the levels of light <br> and lets you program your micro:bit |
| 19 | Interface | Communication between microbit <br> (hardware) and its software using 'Blocks' <br> interface and a 'Javascript' interface |



