REACHEDU ADMINISTRATOR GUIDE

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INTRODUCTION

IMAGINE YOU WERE NEVER TAUGHT TO USE A COMPUTER

The Fourth Industrial Revolution will run on machines that use intelligent, cyber-physical systems to automate work processes and exchange communications. It's the people that ensure these smart factories run. By introducing students to STEAM education using physical robots, coding education is placed in the direct context of its use in the future. With ReachEDU and the MekaMon robot we offer just that, a coding education tool designed to challenge students' creative curiosity and equip them with the skills required for a digital robotic future.



OF CHILDREN ENTERING PRIMARY SCHOOL TODAY WILL HOLD FUTURE JOBS THAT DON'T YET EXIST.*

Four Learning Tools









DRIVE

Learn how to control MekaMon and experiment with its movement and style with FreeDrive. From manoeuvring around obstacle courses to testing MekaMon on different terrain, FreeDrive offers unparalleled flexibility in cross-curricular application.

DRAW

Trace a line across the screen and MekaMon will follow. Add animations and head colour changes at different points on its journey. A visual introduction to basic coding concepts, MekaDraw is our most accessible point of entry.

ANIMATE

Learners can design their own animations with MekaMon using MekaMotion, our stop motion animation studio. Each MekaMon limb can be moved independently into position to build a series of movement commands.

CODE

Scratch-based block coding allows students to engage with higher level coding concepts through an accessible programming suite. Access a range of input and output commands, taking advantage of MekaMon's sensors and movements with MekaCode.

Unprecedented Flexibility In The Classroom

ReachEdu learning tools have been designed to cross-pollinate understanding across one another, allowing for unprecedented flexibility in cross-curricular use. Teach the effects of gravity and robotic movement using MekaMotion in a Physics lesson, or use angles and measurements in MekaDraw for a Maths lesson, there's a wealth of opportunity for using MekaMon to increase your students' retention and engagement across a breadth of subjects.

Easy To Use Robotics

One of the biggest challenges facing coding education today is the lack of specialist skillset in its educators. ReachEDU offers in-app guided learning Missions built on a solid foundation of clear instructional resources, ensuring teachers can use MekaMon and ReachEDU with confidence in the classroom.

Each ReachEDU Mission comes with a break down of all code and processes required, alongside a lesson plan guiding teachers through their use of MekaMon. Educators can use these resources to efficiently build up their own understanding of the coding concepts required by the UK Computer Science curriculum before putting their knowledge into action in streamlined class activities.

Even a teacher with no specialist knowledge of coding can therefore run a ReachEDU lesson with ease and confidence.





"As part of the survey we asked teachers to rate their confidence at each stage of the curriculum on a 10-point scale, with 1 being the least confident and 10 being the most confident. 48% of the surveyed teachers gave a score below 7 and were asked to provide explanations for the low confidence scores. A common response from these teachers was that they were lacking sufficient theoretical and technical knowledge of computing that included aspects of programming and coding.

This was further demonstrated when we asked teachers for their confidence in delivering specific aspects of computing education. Many indicated that they were most confident with the elements of the curriculum that were inherited from the previous ICT courses, for example using technology safely, responsibly and securely, and creating digital content for a given audience."

> Royal Society, *After the Reboot: Computing Education In UK Schools*

Curriculum Aligned Coding



Each ReachEDU Mission takes students through a new aspect of coding, guided by Ivy Tarkova, a MekaMon engineer! Tutorials and challenges encourage students to approach problems with creativity and computational reasoning while adhering to Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 Computer Science curriculums.

Structured around play and discovery, ReachEDU Missions bring fun and experimentation to coding education. Increase your students' retention, engagement and motivation through gamelike learning structures and rewards.

Key Stage 1	Covered in ReachEDU:			
National Computer Science Curriculum	Missions	Learning Tools	Resources	
Understand what algorithms are, how they are implemented as programs on digital devices, and that programs execute by following precise and unambiguous instructions.	\checkmark	\checkmark		
Create and debug simple programs.	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	
Use logical reasoning to predict the behaviour of simple programs.	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	
Use technology purposefully to create, organise, store, manipulate, and retrieve digital content.	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	
Recognise common uses of information technology beyond school.	\checkmark		\checkmark	
Use technology safely and respectfully, keeping personal information private; identify where to go for help and support when they have concerns about content or contact on the internet or other online technologies.			\checkmark	

Curriculum Aligned Coding

Key Stage 2	Covered in ReachEDU:			
National Computer Science Curriculum	Missions	Learning Tools	Resources	
Design, write and debug programs that accomplish specific goals, including controlling or simulating physical systems; solve problems by decomposing them into smaller parts.	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	
Use sequence, selection, and repetition in programs; work with variables and various forms of input and output.	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	
Use logical reasoning to explain how some simple algorithms work and detect and correct errors in algorithms and programs.	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	
Understand computer networks, including the internet; how they can provide multiple services, such as the World Wide Web, and the opportunities they offer for communication and collaboration.			\checkmark	
Use search technologies effectively, appreciate how results are selected and ranked, and be discerning in evaluating digital content.			\checkmark	
Select, use and combine a variety of software (including internet services) on a range of digital devices to design and create a range of programs, systems and content that accomplish given goals, including collecting, analysing, evaluating and presenting data and information.		\checkmark	\checkmark	
Use technology safely, respectfully and responsibly; recognise acceptable / unacceptable behaviour, identify a range of ways to report concerns about content and contact.			\checkmark	

Coding Education For All Ages



MEKAMON GROWS WITH YOUR STUDENTS

A single MekaMon robot can be used from Year 1 to University level education. As students become more confident in one area of ReachEDU, they can cross-pollinate their understanding to reach new heights in another. Swift Playgrounds guides the transition between block based coding and written programming in Secondary Education and the future Raspberry Pi module will open MekaMon up to different programming languages in Higher and Further Education.



Students learning to code for the first time can begin with simple visual programming concepts in MekaDraw before moving on to Scratch-based block coding in MekaCode.



Learners comfortable with coding concepts can expand their skills with advanced features in MekaCode and learn the Apple Swift programming language.



The upcoming custom Raspberry Pi module opens the inner workings of MekaMon up to other programming languages, giving students free reign over MekaMon's functions.

WHAT YOU NEED

ReachEDU Products and Services



MekaMon Berserker V2

The MekaMon Berserker V2 is the latest MekaMon robot. A highly durable quadrupedal robot with a personality all of its own, MekaMon excels in its unparelleled fluidity of movement. Fully modular legs and batteries ensures your robot is ready for action at all times, with detachable accessories for easy storage.

The MekaMon Berserker V2 is available in white, black and grey colour variants.

- 1.5 hours per 60 minute battery charge
- Fully modular for easy storage
- Dynamic and responsive touch interaction
- 4 removeable shields
- Bluetooth LE connectivity
- Compatible with the MekaMon App



The home of each ReachEDU learning tool and the central hub of your Missions, the ReachEDU App opens your robot up to experimentation and curiosity.

- Available free on iOS and Android
- Access to all four ReachEDU learning tools
- Inbuilt guided learning Missions with MekaMon engineer Ivy Tarkova
- Creative, game-like challenges that engage students through play
- Track student Mission progress and save programs and animations.





WHAT YOU NEED

ReachEDU Products and Services

Contact sales@reachrobotics.com or visit edu.reachrobotics.com for more information on purchasing MekaMon for your school.



Security Practices

Connected learning comes with understandable concerns around digital safety and security. That's why we're committed to keeping our products protected against any vulnerabilities.

The ReachEdu app does not require internet connection to use and future content publication services are being developed inline with strict privacy and security practices.

Our team is committed to keeping learners safe, taking our compliance with the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act incredibly seriously, not only maintaining strong digital security across our suite of MekaMon enabled apps but also closely monitoring developments in children's privacy and online safety concerns.

By using the ReachEdu platform you agree that you have read, understand, and consent to our user agreements, found <u>here</u>.



ABOUT US



ENTERTAIN, INSPIRE, EDUCATE

Reach Robotics started life as a venture by CEO and Co-Founder Silas Adekunle to bring robotics and gamification techniques into schools to raise engagement levels. The world's first gaming robot, MekaMon offers unprecedented access to cutting edge entertainment technology. Today, we have harnessed our learnings from the entertainment market to create a unified tool for STEAM education, offering opportunities for all ages and levels of ability.

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