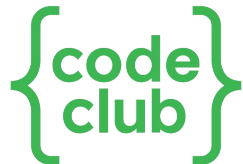


Launch a sustainable club with youth mentors

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Introductions



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What is Code Club?



Raspberry Pi
Foundation



We are Code Club

A global network of free volunteer and educator-led coding clubs open to all school-aged young people.

Support millions of young people to develop the **skills, knowledge, and mindsets** to thrive in a digital world

Our Principles

- freedom & play (learner led)
- guided learning (mentors)
- open to everyone



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Benefits of Code Club



Code Club 101



- **Fun, flexible and free**
- School aged children (primary & secondary)
- 45 - 90 mins weekly/bi-monthly/ twice weekly
- Internet + regular hardware
- Coding projects for all levels: (Scratch, Python, HTML & CSS, Unity, Physical Computing)
- Ongoing support: Regional lead, free training and events, ready-made resources
- Connected to a global community



A tour of the Code Club website

Run a club page

<https://codeclub.org/en/>



What is a Youth Mentor??

- A young person who attends Code Club regularly as a volunteer helper rather than as a creator
- A trusted peer who may have attended Code Club previously as a creator
- A person the creators can relate to, and look up to



What are the benefits of Youth Mentors?

- Extra support for you as club leader
- Offer a youth perspective
- Can often relate to younger creators in a way that adults can't
- Have great ideas!



What are the benefits to the Youth Mentors?

- Develop their own coding skills
- 'Soft' skills - leadership, communication, collaboration
- Use as part of their Duke of Edinburgh award
- Gives an edge on UCAS/college applications



What can they do?

It's really up to you! Here's a few suggestions:

- Lead a starter quiz/blooket
- Host the showcase
- Help with debugging
- Give advice/support to younger or less experienced creators
- Help with setting up and clearing away



Where can I find Youth Mentors?

- Prefects
- Older students - may or may not be CS students
- D of E participants
- Older siblings of creators
- Ex/current creators



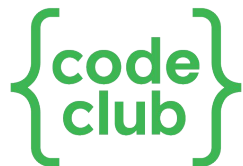
Over to you

On the tables are some sheets of paper with ideas for some resources we think would be useful - please take your time and look at the options and then add your initials to the 3 you think we should prioritise.

There is a spare sheet of paper, please write down any ideas you have for resources that would be helpful



King's Academy Code Club



Code Club Success

What do I love about code club?

Easy to use

Students can run it themselves

Lets them continue their projects at home

Once we have confident coders we can use them to support others

Not just in our school - or Digital Leader Mentors connect with Primary school in our trust to share and create.



The primary children enjoyed this so much they asked for copies of the print out to continue at home!



What is the IMPACT

Student progress has improved in my lessons!

Current GCSE is 20 hrs of programming in class - code club get them to do extra for FUN!

It teaches them programming constructs so when they are in lesson they recognise them



How does it work

Students can create accounts to save their work.

Students choose their coding project path

Students hand out sticker sheets.

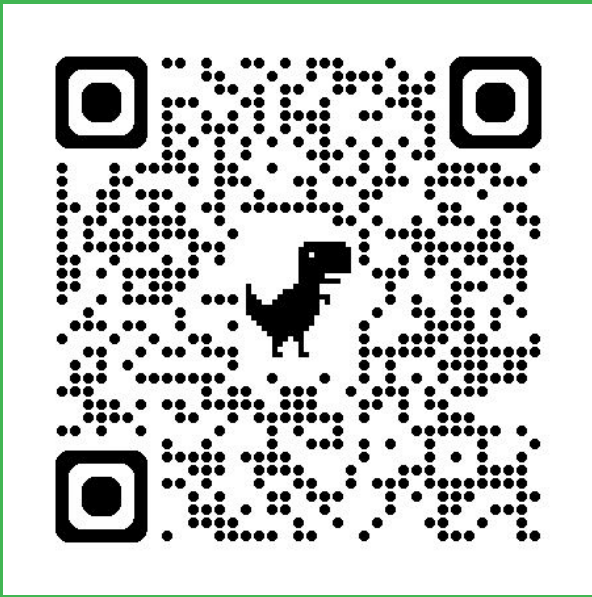
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Older students help younger students

They look forward to it and they are

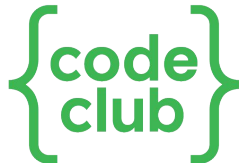
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