# Year 3 Autumn 1 Computing - Networks and the Internet?

# **Big Question**

What is the difference between a network and the internet?



# Key Vocabulary for the unit:

**Internet**: Such as images, music and documents. A worldwide network, enabling tens of millions of computers around the globe to share vast amounts of information.

**Network:** When more than one electronic device is connected in a network to share files and information.

**Router:** The main device responsible for providing internet access to a network and can be connected to through a wired connection or Wi Fi.

**Server**: A computer or computer program that provides data and information to other computing devices.

**The Cloud**: Refers to data and files that are stored and accessed on servers via the internet.

Wi-Fi: When you have, or can connect to a network that is wireless.

Wired: An electronic device is considered 'wired' when it is connected to the network through cables.

Wireless: An electronic device is considered 'wireless' when it is connected to the network through signals.

#### Powerful knowledge/skills for this unit:

- To understand what a network is and how a school network might be organised.
- To know that a server is central to a network and responds to requests made.
- ♦ To know that a router connects us to the internet.
- ◆ To know how the internet uses networks to share files.

### What I should already know from year 2:

- To know the difference between a desktop and laptop computer.
- ♦ To know that people control technology.
- To know some input devices that give a computer an instruction about what to do (output).
- ♦ To know that computers often work together

## Useful diagrams for the unit:

