

# Pupils in hi-tech fun at computer festival



Year 7 pupils enjoy programming with the Dash and Dot robots among other exciting activities

YOUNGSTERS got to grips with new technology in a computer festival in Hednesford.

Staffordshire University Academy teamed up with Tablet Academy, Gaia Technologies and Acer to host the event.

The children explored computing in a fun and engaging way using Intel-powered mobile devices. Activities included programming robots, Minecraft, developing online games and

programming their own Lego creations. The day was split into two sessions, led by consultants from Tablet Academy who guided staff and students through the circuit of activities.

A group of Year 7 students from the Marston Road school and Year 5 students from Littleton Green Community School, Chadsmoor Juniors and West Hill Primary attended.

Staffordshire University Academy web manager Jayne Hill said: "We

have really enjoyed hosting this free event and we are looking forward to the other festivals we have planned."

The academy has teamed up with Tablet Academy to create a STEM festival on May 18, designed for Key Stage 2/3 students to explore science, technology, engineering and maths in a fun and engaging way. The last in the series of festivals will centre on Minecraft on June 8.

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