Child Friendly Policy

E-SAFETY AND ONLINE SAFETY

This policy was originally developed by the School Council, Mrs Gibbs and Miss Payne in 2019. The children decided that after reading the School's E-Safety Policy that they wanted their own policy to help them keep safe on the Internet at home and at school.

It is important that we review this policy every year to make sure it is up to date with any changes and that it covers everything it needs to.

Date Policy was last reviewed: May 2024
Date of next review: May 2025
Reviewed by: The Head Teacher (Miss Greinig), The Online Safety Lead (Mrs Gibbs), The Designated Safeguarding Lead (Miss Payne) and School Council.

WHAT IS E-SAFETY AND WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

E-Safety means electronic safety.

E-Safety is important because it helps to keep children safe so they can enjoy, explore and have fun

We need an E-Safety Policy:

- To keep children safe on the Internet in school and out

- To advise children of appropriate content

- So that children are aware of what to do when something strange occurs or they are worried

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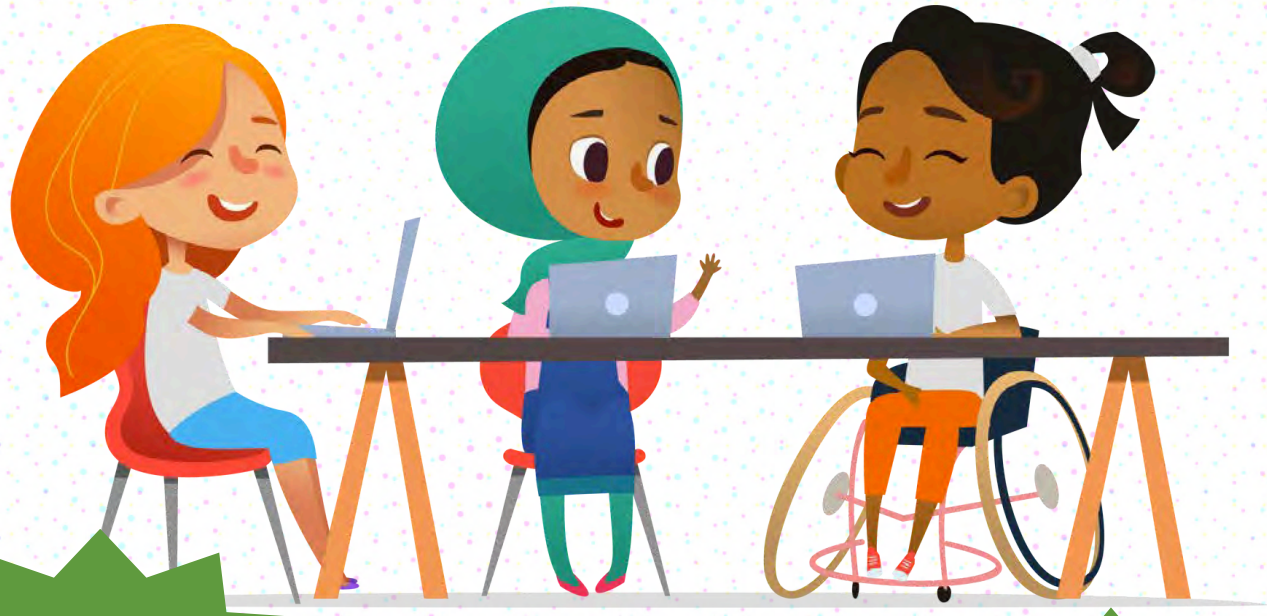

THE INTERNET IS GREAT BECAUSE...

You can learn lots of things.

It can help with our school work.

You can stay in touch with friends and family

You can have lots of fun.

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SOME ONLINE DANGERS INCLUDE...

Stranger Danger—Some people, who we talk to online, we don't know, so they are strangers

Content Online—some material online is not suitable for children to look at.

Bad Language—Sometimes when we are online, we can see or hear swear words or other language that might upset us.

Cyber Bullying—nasty messages and emails.

Viruses—some emails and websites can contain viruses that hurt devices.

SOMETIMES THINGS MAKE US UPSETOR WORRIED WHEN WE'RE USING ELECTRONIC DEVICES

What should I do?

- Tell an adult I trust straight away.
- Try to stay calm.
- Report anything that worries you.
- Try to ignore the person.
- Block the person.

What should I not do?

- Do not keep worries to yourself.
- Do not be unkind or nasty back.
- Do not allow the person to keep being unkind.
- Do not delete messages.

Who can we tell if we have worries about e-safety or Cyber-bullying?

- Friends
- Family
- Teachers
- School Council
- PCSO

These are adults in school who have special responsibility for e-safety.

Online Safety Lead
Mrs Gibbs

Designating Safeguarding Lead
Miss Payne

PSHE Lead
Miss Dorrans

Headteacher
Miss Greinig

Proprietor
Mrs Greinig

We can talk to any of them if we are worried or want to know more about e-safety.

What does our school do when there's an E-Safety issue?

- We take online safety seriously.
- We listen to the children involved and offer support.
- We investigate and look at evidence.
- We make sure children face up to the consequences of their actions.
- We contact parents or carers.

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HOW DOES SCHOOL KEEP US SAFE?

The school maintains anti-virus software to keep viruses away

The school maintains Internet filters to keep us from seeing inappropriate content

We only use the internet with adult supervision.

The school makes sure all staff have training to help keep children safe on the Internet

We sign an acceptable use agreement.

The school keeps our network and Wi-Fi access secure

The school provides a list of appropriate web-sites

The school keeps searching safe on Google and other search engines

We learn about internet and E-Safety in PSHE and ICT lessons.

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OUR INTERNET RULES

- We ask permission before using the Internet.

- We use websites our teachers have advised us to look at.

- We only email people our teachers have asked us to.

- When we send emails or messages they are polite and friendly.

- We never give out our personal information, which includes our school name, address or telephone numbers.

- We never arrange to meet anyone we don't know.

- We don't open emails from people we don't know.

- We tell an adult if we see anything that we are unhappy with.

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HOW SHOULD WE BEHAVE ON THE INTERNET?

S Keep your personal information SAFE and SECURE

M Do not agree to MEET anyone from the Internet; they may not be who you think they are

A Do not ACCEPT messages or e-mails from somebody you don't know.

R REMEMBER, do not always trust the information or people you find on the internet.

T If something or someone upsets you on the Internet TELL a TRUSTED adult in school or at home

YOU CAN FIND MORE INFOPRMATION HERE:

ChildLine 0800 1111

NSPCC Speak out. Stay safe.

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