

Primary Pupil Acceptable Use Policy

Responsible Staff	GG	
Governors Committee Responsible	Full Governing Board or Headteacher	
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Exhall Grange Specialist School



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Notes for Parents/Carers

All pupils will have access to computer facilities including Internet access as an essential part of learning, as required by the National Curriculum. Your child will have the opportunity to access a wide range of information and communication technology (ICT) resources. This includes access to:

- Computers, laptops and other digital devices
- Internet which may include search engines and educational websites
- School learning platform/intranet
- Email
- Digital cameras, web cams and video cameras
- Recorders and Dictaphones

The school recognises the essential and important contribution that technology plays in promoting children's learning and development and offers a fantastic range of positive activities and experiences. However we also recognise there are potential risks involved when using online technology and therefore have developed online Internet Safety policies and procedures with support from Warwickshire Authority alongside the schools own safeguarding measures.

The school takes responsibility for your child's online safety very seriously and, as such, we ensure that pupils are educated about safe use of technology and will take every reasonable precaution to ensure that pupils cannot access inappropriate materials whilst using school equipment.

We request that all parents/carers support the schools approach to Internet Safety by role modelling safe and positive online behaviour for their child and by discussing online safety with them whenever they access technology at home. Parents/carers may also like to visit www.thinkuknow.co.uk, www.saferinternet.org.uk and www.thinkuknow.co.uk, www.thinkuknow.co.uk,

Whilst the school monitors and manages technology use in school we believe that children themselves have an important role in developing responsible online behaviours. In order to support the school in developing your child's knowledge and understanding about Internet Safety, we request that you read the attached Acceptable Use Policy with your child and that you and your child discuss the content and return the attached slip. Hopefully, you will also find this Acceptable Use Policy provides you with an opportunity for conversations between you and your child about safe and appropriate use of the technology, both at school and at home.

Should you wish to discuss the matter further, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

We understand that your child may find some of the statements difficult to understand however, we feel it is good practice to involve them as much as possible in the decision making process, and believe a shared commitment is the most successful way to achieve this.

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<u>Pupil Acceptable Use Policy – Primary Pupils</u>

I want to feel safe all of the time.

I agree that I will:

- Only open pages which my teacher says are OK
- Only work with people I know in real life
- Tell my teacher if anything makes me feel scared or uncomfortable
- Make sure all messages I send are polite
- Show my teacher if I get a nasty message
- Not reply to any nasty message or anything which makes me feel uncomfortable
- Talk to my teacher before using anything on the internet
- Not play games (unless told to by my teacher) during lesson time
- Not tell people about myself online (I will not tell them my name, anything about my family and home, phone numbers or pets)
- Not load photos of myself onto the computer
- Never agree to meet a stranger

I understand that anything I do on the computer may be seen by someone else

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Exhall Grange School Parental/Carer Acknowledgment

PLEASE RETURN THIS PAGE ONLY ONCE COMPLETE

I, with my child, have read and discussed Exhall Grange School Pupil Acceptable Use Policy. I am aware that any internet and computer use using school equipment may be monitored for safety and security reasons to safeguard both my child and the schools systems. This monitoring will take place in accordance with data protection and human rights legislation.

I with my child, am aware of the importance of safe online behaviour and will not deliberately upload or add any images, video, sounds or text that could upset, threaten the safety of or offend any member of the school community.

I understand that the school will take all reasonable precautions to ensure that pupils cannot access inappropriate materials but I appreciate that this is a difficult task. I understand that the school will take all reasonable precautions to reduce and remove risks but cannot ultimately be held responsible for the content of materials accessed through the Internet and the school is not liable for any damages arising from use of the Internet facilities.

I understand that the school will contact me if they have concerns about any possible breaches of the Acceptable Use Policy or have any concerns about my child's safety.

I will inform the school or other relevant organisations if I have concerns over my child's or other members of the school communities' safety online.

I know that my child will receive, Internet Safety education to help them understand the importance of safe use of technology and the internet – both in and out of school.

I will support the schools Internet Safety approaches and will encourage my child to adopt safe use of the internet and digital technologies at home.

Child's Name:	Signed:	
Form:	Date:	
Parent/Carer Name:		
Parent/Carer Signature:	Date:	

Please keep your copy of this policy and return this page only, once you have discussed the policy with your child and signed it with them.