

**6.4b Child Protection (Safe Guarding) Policy - E-Safety Policy**  
**including the Early Years Foundation Stage**

**Introduction**

It is the duty of Durlston Court School to ensure that every pupil in its care is safe; and the same principles apply to the digital world as apply to the real world. IT and online communications provide unrivalled opportunities for enhanced learning in addition to traditional methods, but also pose greater and more subtle risks to young people. Our pupils are therefore taught how to stay safe in the online environment and how to mitigate risks, including but not limited to the risk of identity theft, bullying, harassment, grooming, stalking, abuse and radicalisation.

New technologies are continually enhancing communication, the sharing of information, learning, social interaction and leisure activities. Current and emerging technologies used in and outside of school include:

- Websites; Email and instant messaging; Blogs; Social networking sites;
- Chat rooms; Music / video downloads; Gaming sites;
- Text messaging and picture messaging; Podcasting; Online communities;
- and Mobile internet devices such as smart phones and tablets.

This policy, supported by the Acceptable Use policy for all staff and pupils, is implemented to protect the interests and safety of the whole school community. It aims to provide clear guidance on how to minimise risks and how to deal with any infringements. It is linked to the following school policies:

- Safeguarding (incl Staff Behaviour); Behaviour Management; Anti-Bullying;
- Social Media; Data Protection and PSHE.

Whilst exciting and beneficial both in and out of the context of education, much IT, particularly online resources, are not consistently policed. All users need to be aware of the range of risks associated with the use of these internet technologies.

At Durlston Court, we understand the responsibility to educate our pupils on e-safety issues; teaching them the appropriate behaviours and critical thinking skills necessary to enable them to remain both safe and within the law when using the internet and related technologies in and beyond the classroom. We also understand

the importance of involving pupils in discussions about e-safety and listening to their fears and anxieties as well as their thoughts and ideas.

## **Scope of this Policy**

This policy applies to all members of the school community, including staff, pupils, parents and visitors, who have access to and are users of the school IT systems. In this policy 'staff' includes teaching and non-teaching staff, governors, and regular volunteers. 'Parents' includes pupils' carers and guardians. 'Visitors' includes anyone else who comes to the school, including occasional volunteers.

Both this policy and the Acceptable Use Policy for all staff and pupils, cover both fixed and mobile internet devices provided by the school (such as PCs, laptops, webcams, tablets, whiteboards, digital video equipment, Chromebooks etc.); as well as all devices owned by pupils, staff, or visitors and brought onto school premises (personal laptops, tablets, smart phones, etc.).

## **Roles and responsibilities**

### **1. The Governing Body**

The governing body of the school is responsible for the approval of this policy and for reviewing its effectiveness. The governing body will review this policy at least annually.

### **2. Headmaster and the Senior Leadership Team**

The Headmaster is responsible for the safety of the members of the school community and this includes responsibility for e-safety.

In particular, the role of the Headmaster and the Senior Management Team is to ensure that staff are aware of the school e-safety policy and the procedures that should be followed in the event of the abuse or suspected breach of e-safety in connection to the school.

### **3. Facilities Manager**

The school's IT staff member has a key role in maintaining a safe technical infrastructure at the school and in keeping abreast with the rapid succession of technical developments. He is responsible for the security of the school's hardware system, its data and for training the school's teaching and administrative staff in the use of IT. He monitors on a daily basis the use of the internet and emails, maintain content filters, and will report inappropriate usage to the Headmaster, Head of Senior School or Head of Middle School. The Headmaster is sent a weekly summary report in addition.

#### **4. Teaching and support staff**

All staff are required to sign the Acceptable Use Policy (\*see wording on pages 13-14) each year when accessing the school's systems.

As with all issues of safety at this school, staff are encouraged to create a talking and listening culture in order to address any e-safety issues which may arise in classrooms on a daily basis.

#### **5. Pupils**

Pupils are responsible for using the school IT systems in accordance with the Acceptable Use Policy (\*see wording on pages 14-16), and for letting staff know if they see IT systems being misused.

#### **6. Parents**

Durlston Court believes that it is essential for parents to be fully involved with promoting e-safety both in and outside of school. We regularly consult and discuss e-safety with parents and seek to promote a wide understanding of the benefits and risks related to internet usage. The school will always contact parents if it has any concerns about pupils' behaviour in this area and likewise it hopes that parents will feel able to share any concerns with the school. Parents are responsible for endorsing the school's Acceptable Use Policy.

### **Education and training**

#### **1. Staff: awareness and training**

New staff receive information on Durlston Court's e-Safety and Acceptable Use policies as part of their induction.

All staff receive regular information and training on e-safety issues in the form of INSET training and internal meeting time, and are made aware of their individual responsibilities relating to the safeguarding of children within the context of e-safety.

All staff working with children are responsible for demonstrating, promoting and supporting safe behaviours in their classrooms and following school e-Safety procedures. When children use school computers, staff should make sure children are fully aware of the agreement they are making to follow the school's IT guidelines. The signing of the Acceptable Use Agreement helps reinforce this message.

Teaching staff are encouraged to incorporate e-safety activities and awareness within their subject areas and through a culture of talking about issues as they arise. They should know what to do in the event of misuse of technology by any member of the school community. With the introduction of Chromebooks, staff should be vigilant in all areas of the school in respect of this matter.

A record of concern must be completed by staff as soon as possible if any incident relating to e-safety occurs and be provided directly to the Headmaster.

## **2. Pupils: e-Safety in the curriculum**

IT and online resources are used increasingly across the curriculum. We believe it is essential for e-safety guidance to be given to pupils on a regular and meaningful basis. We continually look for new opportunities to promote e-safety and regularly monitor our pupils' understanding of it.

The school provides opportunities to teach about e-safety within a range of curriculum areas and IT lessons. Educating pupils on the dangers of technologies that may be encountered outside school will also be carried out via PSHE, by presentations in assemblies, as well as informally when opportunities arise.

At age-appropriate levels, pupils are taught about their e-safety responsibilities and to look after their own online safety (including recognising online sexual exploitation, stalking and grooming), the risks, and of their duty to report any such instances they or their peers come across. Pupils can report concerns to the Headmaster or any member of staff at the school. Pupils are taught about respecting other people's information and images (etc.) through discussion and classroom activities. This is largely done in the IT lessons, but it is also discussed in PSHE and other lessons, when appropriate.

Pupils should be aware of the impact of cyber-bullying and know how to seek help if they are affected by these issues (see also the school's Anti-Bullying Policy). Pupils should approach their form teacher, their IT teacher as well as parents, peers and other school staff for advice or help if they experience bullying issues when using the internet and related technologies.

## **3. Parents**

The school seeks to work closely with parents in promoting a culture of e-safety. The school will always contact parents if it has any concerns about pupils' behaviour in this area and likewise it hopes that parents will feel able to share any concerns with the school.

The school recognises that not all parents may feel equipped to protect their son or daughter when they use electronic equipment at home. The school therefore arranges discussion evenings for parents when an outside specialist advises about e-safety and the practical steps that parents can take to minimise the potential dangers to their sons and daughters without curbing their natural enthusiasm and curiosity. This is organised to occur on an annual basis.

## **Policy Statements**

### **1. Use of internet and email**

#### **Staff**

Staff must not access any website or personal email which is unconnected with school work or business whilst teaching / in front of pupils. Such access may only be made whilst in staff/non pupil areas of school.

Staff must use social networking sites with extreme caution, being aware of the nature of what is published online and its potential impact on their professional position and the reputation of the school.

The school has taken all reasonable steps to ensure that the school network is safe and secure. Staff should be aware that email communications through the school network and staff email addresses are monitored.

Staff must immediately report to Headmaster the receipt of any communication that makes them feel uncomfortable, is offensive, discriminatory, threatening or bullying in nature and must not respond to any such communication. Staff must remain alert to the risk of fraudulent emails and should report emails they suspect to be fraudulent to the Facilities Manager.

Any online communications or use of social media must not either knowingly or recklessly:

- place a child or young person at risk of harm, or cause actual harm;
- bring Durlston Court into disrepute;
- breach confidentiality;
- breach copyright;
- breach data protection legislation; or do anything that could be considered discriminatory against, or bullying or harassment of, any individual, for example by:
  - making offensive or derogatory comments relating to sex, gender reassignment, race (including nationality), disability, sexual orientation, religion or belief or age;
  - using social media to bully another individual; or
  - posting links to or endorsing material which is discriminatory or offensive.

Under no circumstances should school pupils be added as social network 'friends' or contacted through social media.

Any digital communication between staff and pupils or parents must be professional in tone and content. Under no circumstances may staff contact a pupil or parent in relation to work by using their or any other personal email address. The school ensures that staff have access to their work email address when offsite, for use as necessary on school business.

School staff must ensure that their use of email at work always complies with data protection legislation and confidential or personal data must not be sent

electronically via email unless it is encrypted. Staff should be appropriately trained and should ensure they use appropriately secure email systems to share any sensitive or personal information.

## **Pupils**

No pupils are allowed mobile phones on the school site unless express permission is given by the Headmaster. If they are to be used in IT lessons, they should be left in Reception before and after the lesson.

There is strong anti-virus and firewall protection on our network. Most spam emails and certain attachments will be blocked automatically by the email system.

Pupils must not respond to any communication that makes them feel uncomfortable, is offensive, discriminatory, threatening or bullying in nature and should immediately report such a communication, to Headmaster or another member of staff.

The school expects pupils to think carefully before they post any information online, or repost or endorse content created by other people. Content posted should not be able to be deemed inappropriate or offensive, or likely to cause embarrassment to the individual or others.

Pupils must report any accidental access to materials of a sexual nature directly to the Headmaster or another member of staff. Deliberate access to any inappropriate materials by a pupil will lead to the incident being recorded on their file and will be dealt with under the school's Behaviour Management Policy. Pupils should be aware that all internet usage via the school's systems and its wifi network is monitored. Certain websites are automatically blocked by the school's filtering system

## **2. Vulnerable children**

Vulnerable children are more likely to take risks in real life as well as online therefore there needs to be careful consideration around the support and education provided to these pupils, their teachers and carers.

## **3. Data storage and processing (including Cloud Storage)**

The school takes its compliance with the Data Protection Act 1998 seriously. Please refer to the Data Protection Policy for further details.

Staff and pupils are expected to save all data relating to their work to the school's central server or Domain controlled cloud storage (Durlston One Drive or Durlston Google Drive) only. Staff may only take information offsite when authorised to do so, and only when it is necessary and required in order to fulfil their role. No personal data of staff or pupils should be stored on personal memory sticks, and the Facilities Manager should be consulted about encryption should this be authorised.

Passwords to Cloud accounts must be of a strength specified by the school, kept secure and under no circumstances shared with other individuals. If at any stage it is necessary and authorised to email data to a third party, e.g. future schools, this must be encrypted as per school policy.

Any security breaches or attempts, loss of equipment and any unauthorised use or suspected misuse of IT must be immediately reported to the Headmaster.

#### **4. Filtering and Monitoring**

No filtering or monitoring solution can offer schools and setting 100% protection from exposure to inappropriate or illegal content, so it is important to take other reasonable precautions to safeguard children and staff. Such methods may include appropriate supervision, requiring children and staff to sign an Acceptable Use Policy (AUP), a robust and embedded online safety curriculum and appropriate and up-to-date staff training etc. A reliance on filtering and monitoring alone to safeguarding children online could lead to a feeling of complacency which may put children and adults at risk of significant harm.

If obscene searches are discovered via the monitoring system, then the child should be talked to and the parents contacted, via phone or email as well as the Pupil Record Book. Any punishment will depend on the age of the child and the search terms entered. Staff should check the sites viewed to establish why they have slipped through the filtering system. If that is the case, then this should be reported to the IT manager and the Headmaster. Please see Emergency Procedures later in the policy.

On a half-termly basis, at least, the monitoring and filtering histories should be investigated by the IT administrator (currently ET) and other staff as appropriate. Any sites that are inappropriate, but have been viewed, e.g. shopping sites, should be blocked by the IT administrator.

#### **5. Password security**

Pupils and staff have individual school network logins and storage folders on the server. Staff and pupils are regularly reminded of the need for password security.

All pupils and members of staff should:

- use a strong password (usually containing eight characters or more, and containing upper and lower case letters as well as numbers);
- not to write passwords down (as appropriate per age group); and
- not share passwords with other pupils or staff.

Staff passwords should be changed on a regular basis.

#### **6. Misuse**

Durlston Court will not tolerate illegal activities or activities that are inappropriate in a school context, and will report illegal activity to the police and/or the LSCB. If the school discovers that a child or young person is at risk as a consequence of online activity, it may seek assistance from the CEOP.

Incidents of misuse or suspected misuse must be dealt with by staff in accordance with the school's policies and procedures (in particular the Safeguarding Policy).

The school will impose a range of sanctions on any pupil who misuses technology to bully, harass or abuse another pupil in line with our Anti-Bullying Policy.

## **7. Radicalisation**

The school will take all reasonable precautions to ensure that children are safe from terrorist and extremist material when accessing the internet in schools and that suitable filtering is in place which takes into account the needs of pupils.

## **8. Cyberbullying**

Online or cyberbullying can be defined as the use of Information Communication Technology, particularly mobile phones and the internet to deliberately hurt or upset someone.

Cyberbullying may not always be intentional and repeated in the same way that traditional offline bullying is. Repeated harassment online could include an initial concern which is then shared or endorsed by others such as by "liking", "sharing" or "commenting". People may not feel that they are bullying by doing this and single issue may become more serious. It is very important that all incidents of online abuse are addressed as early as possible to prevent escalation

Education staff, parents and young people have to be constantly vigilant and work together to prevent this and tackle it wherever it appears. Cyberbullying is a method of bullying and should be viewed and treated the same as "real world" bullying and can happen to any member of the school community.

## **9. Sexting**

Youth Produced Sexual Imagery or "Sexting" can be defined as images or videos generated by children under the age of 18 that are of a sexual nature or are considered to be indecent. These images may be shared between children and young people and/or adults via a mobile phone, webcam, handheld device or website. Children and young people will always look to push the boundaries, especially when they go through puberty and are an age where they are more sexually and socially aware. Children typically do not use the term "sexting", usually referring to the images as "selfies" and may decide to send such pictures or videos for many reasons. For younger children (early years and primary school aged) indecent images or videos may be taken or shared out of curiosity or naivety and for older children, indecent images may be taken or shared as a response to peer pressure, cyberbullying, sexual exploration, impulsive behaviour or even exploitation due to blackmail from a friend, partner, or other on or offline contact. There can also be emotional and reputation damage that can come from having intimate photos forwarded to others or shared online including isolation, bullying, low self-esteem, loss of control, creating of a negative "digital footprint" or online reputation, harassment, mental health difficulties, self-harm, suicide and increased risk of child sexual exploitation.

It is important to be aware that young people involved in sharing sexual videos and pictures may be committing a criminal offence.



18 years of age, fall under Section 1 of the Protection of Children Act 1978 and Section 160 Criminal Justice Act 1988. Under this legislation it is a crime to take an indecent photograph or allow an indecent photograph to be taken, make an indecent photograph (this includes downloading or opening an image that has been sent via email); distribute or show an indecent image, advertise indecent images and possess an indecent image or possess an indecent image with the intention of distribution. This applies even if the images are sent or shared by someone under the age of 18 with consent. "Sexts" may be viewed as police evidence and it is essential that schools secure devices and seek advice immediately when dealing with concerns.

'Keeping Children Safe in Education' 2016 and 2018 highlights the need for all members of staff to be aware that abuse can be perpetrated by children themselves, including sexting, and there is a need for all members of staff to be aware of concerning behaviour and appropriate safeguarding responses.

It is essential that schools and settings handle 'sexting' incidents as carefully as possible and offer support to all parties involved whilst abiding by the law and also do not compromise police investigations. Should an incident arise which necessitates criminal investigation then it may require the seizure of the phone/device and any other devices involved or identified as potentially having access to the imagery. Schools and settings should ensure the existing policies regarding seizing and searching are robust and up-to-date.

## 10. Indecent Images

The law regarding indecent images of children - specifically (but not limited to):

- The Sexual Offences Act 2003 (England and Wales) defines a child, for the purposes of indecent images, as anyone under the age of 18. The Civic Government (Scotland) Act, 1982 replicates this.
- The Sexual Offences Act 2003 (England and Wales) provides a defence for handling potentially criminal images and this is supported by a Memorandum of Understanding which provides guidance on what is and is not acceptable.

It is an offence to possess, distribute, show and make indecent images of children. Making of and distributing indecent images of children includes printing and viewing them on the internet otherwise known as 'downloading'. More information about these offences can be found within the legal framework section.

Where there is cause for concern or fear that illegal activity has taken place or is taking place involving the use of school computer equipment, schools should determine the level of response necessary for the offence disclosed. The decision to involve Police should be made as soon as possible if the offence is deemed to be out of the remit of the school to deal with. If schools are unsure if an issue is of a criminal nature then the Designated Safeguarding Lead should seek advice. Where it is determined that an offence has been committed and that a police investigation is warranted, all measures to preserve evidence should be undertaken. If an officer decides that equipment needs to be seized, then they will need to determine if the equipment is networked. If in doubt as to whether the server should be seized or not, officers should seek advice from the Police Digital Forensic Unit, as seizure of the server will have a significant impact on the school. It is essential that schools are aware of this possibility and they should ensure that measures are in place to enable the school's computer network to continue functioning should this situation arise.

In cases where a suspect picture or photograph is discovered it should also be borne in mind that a person could be guilty of the offence to 'Make' and 'Distribute' if they print or forward the image.



## **Emergency Procedures**

### **Failure of Filtering Service**

Pupils should be trained to switch off images if an inappropriate image comes up on the screen. It should then become second nature to the children to switch off the screen as soon as they see anything unacceptable.

If it becomes apparent that inappropriate images are being seen, e.g. pornographic images, radicalisation etc then pupils should be taught and encouraged to click off the image and report the matter to a member of staff. The member of staff should inform the HM. The HM should instruct Internet access to be shut down until the reason for the breach in the system is discovered.

Parents of children affected should also be informed, as should both the Chair of Governors and the Safeguarding Governor.

When the breach has been isolated and repaired and the HM, together with the IT manager and appropriate Governors are confident in the security of the system, and that the filtering and monitoring system is working effectively, then the internet can be switched on again.

If the breach is discovered directly by the member of staff, then the same procedure should be followed. Please also refer to appendix – Responding to Online Incident Involving Pupils.

### **Complaints**

As with all issues of safety at Durlston Court if a member of staff, a pupil or a parent has a complaint or concern relating to e-safety prompt action will be taken to deal with it. Complaints should be addressed to the Headmaster in the first instance, who will liaise with Senior Management Team, and undertake an investigation where appropriate. Please see the Complaints Policy for further information.

Incidents of or concerns around e-safety will be recorded using an Incident Report form and reported to the school's Headmaster, Richard May, in accordance with the school's Child Protection Policy.

***Based on ISBA and Online Safety Policy and Guidance – Hampshire County Council***

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## Responding to online digital incidents involving pupils

A quick reference guide to help the school support affected pupils.

### 1. UNDERSTAND

#### GATHER THE FACTS

Determine nature of behaviour and begin to record incident

#### Severity:

- What has happened (e.g. bullying, sexual content etc) and how (e.g. messages, videos)?
- What is the nature of the content?

#### See notes below:

- Where is this happening (e.g. online/offline; social media)? Is this part of a wider situation?
- Who else is involved or impacted? Target/s; perpetrator/s; bystander/s?
- What actions, if any, have been taken so far?
- Does it involve sending, creating and/or accessing information?

#### Impact:

- How do those involved feel? Do they have support?
- Who else already knows or has been informed? (e.g. parents, friends, teachers, Police)
  - How and when will we involve family? Consider consent and confidentiality of pupils.

#### Frequency:

- When did it start?
- How often has it happened? Is it ongoing?
- Is there a likelihood that content is/will be replicated or shared by others?

#### DETERMINE NATURE OF CONTENT

- Is it potentially unlawful conduct? E.g.
  - Threatening, harassing, intimidating behaviour, intimate photos or video, aiding or abetting suicide, online grooming, unauthorised access to an online account. Seek advice from Police.
- Is it objectionable material? E.g.
  - Objectionable material is material which is illegal to view, possess or share. For example, images of child exploitation, acts of torture,
  - Or sexual violence. Contact Police if the incident involves objectionable material.
- Is it intended to harm or offend?
- Is there a privacy breach? (See school's own policy)
- Is surrender of the device an appropriate course of action

### 2. ASSESS

#### MUST DO

- **Engage** nominated staff and family as appropriate.
- **Clarify** roles and processes - where appropriate, assign two staff members in interview roles
- **Provide** pastoral care for all those involved
- **Record** all information, decisions, and actions
- **Follow** school processes regarding pupil consent and confidentiality
- **Assure** the pupils/s that you will work with them to address the issue and explain what the next steps will be
- **Suggest** others may need to be involved (e.g. Police, parents / headmaster/lead teacher or Governors).
- **Gather evidence:** Only that which is compliant with legislation. URLs, emails and some screenshots (Not objectionable content).
- **Report or block** online content if this would help the immediate situation - consider if evidence will be needed to on-share with e.g. Police, senior staff & parents

#### SEEK ADVICE

**Police** – if any aspects of the incident includes unlawful conduct

#### DON'T

- Don't access personal accounts, or search devices of those involved in the incident. Teachers/authorised staff are not permitted.
- Don't store evidence of objectionable material. Ask for URLs/account names that can then be passed on to the Police.

### 3. RESOLVE

#### ENGAGE

Who now needs to be informed or involved?

- All Senior Staff
- Headmaster
- Guidance / Counsellor
- Parents
- Third party agencies – e.g. Police

#### COMMUNICATE

- Determine how and when to release information to:
  - Staff
  - Pupils
  - Family
  - Media (if media attention likely or occurring)
- Schedule meetings to inform staff, pupils, family/ media if necessary:
  - Relay only necessary facts, procedures,
  - and key messages appropriate to each group
  - Provide opportunity for pupils/staff to express concerns/needs in appropriate settings
- Outline services/key people that they can go to, e.g. Guidance Counsellor
- Prepare responses/scripts for frontline (e.g. office staff) and other staff should the school need to inform the wider school community/ media.
- Communications should:
  - Acknowledge an incident has occurred
  - Assure all that the safety and wellbeing of those involved are priorities
  - Inform that the school is dealing with the situation
  - Indicate that support and advice is being sought

#### Example of an initial response:

"At this stage we understand there has been an incident and the school is dealing with this. We are working to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all." and have contacted appropriate support agencies who are assisting us as we

### 4. LOOKING AHEAD

#### TAKE A PROACTIVE APPROACH TO PREVENTING SIMILAR INCIDENTS

The lead team could follow up by:

- checking on pupils' wellbeing
- reviewing how the incident was managed
- reviewing how school actively promotes online safety, citizenship and wellbeing.

#### GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- Minimise pupil / staff distress or harm
- Maintain pupil / staff safety
- Focus on the behaviour - not the technology
- Follow school processes regarding pupil consent and confidentiality
- The school's usual disciplinary or behaviour management practices apply at all times
- The School can have the responsibility and authority to act even if the incident has taken place outside of school

## Durlston Court Staff Acceptable Use Agreement

This covers the use of all digital technologies in school: i.e. **email, Internet, intranet, network resources**, learning platform, software, communication tools, **equipment and systems**.

I will only use the school's digital technology resources and systems for Professional purposes or for uses deemed 'reasonable' by the Head and Governing Body.

I will not reveal my password(s) to anyone.

I will follow 'good practice' advice in the creation and use of my password. If my password is compromised, I will ensure I change it. I will not use anyone else's password if they reveal it to me and will advise them to change it.

I will not allow unauthorised individuals to access email / Internet / intranet / network, or other school systems.

I will ensure all documents, data etc., are printed, saved, accessed and deleted / shredded in accordance with the school's network and data security policy.

I will not engage in any online activity that may compromise my professional responsibilities.

I will only use the approved email system(s) for any school business.

I will not browse, download or send material that could be considered offensive to colleagues.

I will report any accidental access to, or receipt of inappropriate materials, or filtering breach or equipment failure to the *appropriate line manager / school named contact*.

I will not download any software or resources from the Internet that can compromise the network or might allow me to bypass the filtering and security system or are not adequately licensed.

I will check copyright and not publish or distribute any work including images, music and videos, that is protected by copyright without seeking the author's permission.

I will not connect any device (including USB flash drive), to the network that does not have up-to-date anti-virus software.

I will not use personal digital cameras or camera phones or digital devices (without permission) for taking, editing and transferring images or videos of pupils or staff and will not store any such images or videos at home.

I will only use school approved equipment for any storage, editing or transfer of digital images / videos and ensure I only save photographs and videos of children and staff on the *appropriate system or staff-only drive within school*.

I will follow the school's policy on use of mobile phones / devices at school.

I will use 3Sys in accordance with school protocols.

I will ensure that any private social networking sites / blogs etc. that I create or actively contribute to are not confused with my professional role.

I will ensure any confidential data that I wish to transport from one location to another is protected by encryption and that I follow school data security protocols when using any such data at any location.

I understand that data protection policy requires that any information seen by me with regard to staff or pupil information, held within the school's information management system, will be kept private and confidential, EXCEPT when it is deemed necessary that I am required by law to disclose such information to an appropriate authority.

I understand that all Internet and network traffic / usage can be logged and this information can be made available *to the Head / Safeguarding Lead* on their request.

I understand that Internet encrypted content (via the https protocol), may be scanned for security and/or safeguarding purposes.

*I understand that failure to comply with this agreement could lead to disciplinary action.*

## **Durlston Court Pupil Acceptable Use Agreement**

These rules will keep everyone safe and help us to be fair to others.

I will only use the school's computers for appropriate school activities and learning and am aware that the school can monitor my internet use.

I will not bring files into school that can harm the school network or be used to circumvent school security tools

I will only edit or delete my own files and not view, or change, other people's files or user areas without their permission.

I will keep my logins, IDs and passwords secret and change my password regularly.

I will use the Internet responsibly and will not visit web sites that are inappropriate for the school or my key stage.

I will only e-mail or contact people I know, or those approved as part of learning activities

The messages I send, or information I upload, will always be polite and sensible. All messages I send reflect on me and the school.

I will be careful when opening files and attachments, checking for viruses etc. If I am unsure I will never open a file.

I will not give my personal information that could be used to identify me, my family or my friends on any online space, unless a trusted adult has given permission or reviewed the site.

I will never arrange to meet someone I have only ever previously met on the Internet or by email or in a chat room, unless I take a trusted adult with me.

If I see anything I am unhappy with or I receive a message that makes me feel uncomfortable, I will not respond to it but I will save it and talk to a trusted adult.

I am aware that some websites, games and social networks have age restrictions and I should respect this.

I am aware that my online activity at all times should not upset or hurt other people and that I should not put myself at risk.

*I have read and understand these rules and agree to them.*

Child friendly versions (Nov 2018)

**These rules will help keep me safe and help me to be fair to others.**

**KS2.**

- ❖ I will always report anything that I feel is unkind or makes me feel unsafe or uncomfortable to my teacher.
- ❖ I will not deliberately search for and access unsuitable material.
- ❖ I will always keep my personal details private (e.g. my name, school, family information).
- ❖ I understand that the school will check my computer files and will monitor the Internet sites I visit.
- ❖ I will treat computer equipment, like all school equipment, with care and respect.
- ❖ I will not bring memory sticks into school unless I have been given permission.
- ❖ I will use the school computers only for things my teacher has asked me to do.
- ❖ I will keep my passwords to myself.
- ❖ Any messages I send will be polite and respectful.
- ❖ I have read and understand the above and agree to follow these guidelines when I use the school systems and devices (both in and out of school).
  
- ❖ I know that if I break these rules I might not be allowed to use a school computer.

Name of Pupil: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**This is how we stay safe when we use computers:**

**KS1.**

- ✓ I will only use a computer to do things a teacher has asked me to do.
- ✓ I will tell a teacher if I see something that upsets me on the screen.
- ✓ I will take care of the computer and other equipment.
- ✓ I will ask for help from a teacher if I am not sure what to do or if I think I have done something wrong.
- ✓ I will never do anything on the computer that could be unkind or upset someone.
- ✓ I know that if I break the rules I might not be allowed to use a computer.

Name of Pupil: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_