



**Online Safety and ICT**

Dear Parents

We regularly review our Internet and ICT policies to ensure that we are remaining up to date with the rapidly developing opportunities and risks associated with technology and you can find these on the school website. Digital technologies have become integral to the lives of children and young people both within school and outside school.

We have written our Pupil **Acceptable Use Policy** to ensure

- The children learn to be responsible users and stay safe when using computers especially when accessing the internet and other communication technologies for educational, personal and social use.
- The School systems and users are protected from accidental or deliberate misuse that could put the security of systems and users at risk.
- That parents, carers and families are aware of the importance of online safety and are involved in the education and guidance of our children with regard to their on-line behaviour and use, especially with the growing number of Primary age children having access to online games systems, tablets, phones and other forms of digital communication.

The school will endeavour to ensure that pupils have good access to digital technologies to enhance their learning and will, in return, expect pupils to be responsible users.

**Please sign the permission slip below to indicate that you have read our updated policies and procedures and support the school in this important aspect of our teaching and learning. One copy is for you to keep with one copy being returned to the school.**

Related Policies:

Hatherleigh Community Primary School Online Safety Policy 2022

Appendix 1 : responding to Incidents of Misuse

[www.hatherleigh-pri.devon.sch.uk/policies](http://www.hatherleigh-pri.devon.sch.uk/policies)

Please ask a member of the admin team if you would like a paper copy

Parent/Carer's Name:

Child/Children's Name(s):

I understand that the school will take every reasonable precaution, including monitoring and filtering systems, to ensure that young people will be safe when they use the internet and ICT systems. I also understand that the school cannot ultimately be held responsible for the nature and content of materials accessed on the internet and using mobile technologies.

I understand that my son's/daughter's activity on the ICT systems will be monitored and that the school will contact me if they have concerns about any possible breaches of the Acceptable Use Policy.

I will encourage my child to adopt safe use of the internet and digital technologies and monitor their use at home and will inform the school if I have concerns over my child's online safety or the safety of others.

**For children in KS2**

I know that my child/children will be signing an Acceptable Use Agreement and receives online safety education to help them understand the importance of the safe use of technology and the internet both in and out of school.

**For children in KS1**

I understand that the school will discuss the Acceptable Use Agreement with my child/children and that they receive online safety education to help them understand the importance of the safe use of technology and the internet both in and out of school.

Signed:

Dated: