



Durham Trinity School and Sports College.

Parent/ Carer Acceptable Use Agreement.

Digital Technologies have become integral to the lives of children and young people both in school and out of school. These technologies open up a range of tools which provide new and interesting opportunities for all. They can stimulate discussion, promote creativity and stimulate awareness of context to promote effective learning. Children and Young People should have an entitlement to safe access to the internet at all times.

This Acceptable Use Policy aims to ensure that:

- Children and young people will be responsible users and stay safe while using the internet and other communications technologies for educational, personal and recreational use.
- School systems and users are protected from accidental or deliberate misuse that could put the security of the systems and users at risk.
- Parents and carers are aware of the importance of online safety and are involved in the education and guidance of young people with regard to their online behaviour.

The school will try to ensure that pupils will have good access to digital technologies to enhance their learning and will, in return, expect the pupils to agree to be responsible users. A copy of the Pupil Acceptable Use Policy is available, so that parents / carers will be aware of the school expectations of the young people in their care.

Parents/ Carers are requested to sign the enclosed permission form to show their support of the school in this important aspect of the school's work.

Parent/ Carer Permission Form.

Parent/ Carers Name: _____

Pupil Name: _____

As the parent/ carer of the above pupil, I give permission for my son / daughter to have access to the internet and ICT systems whilst at school.

I understand that my son/ daughter will sign an Acceptable Use Agreement and has received or will receive online safety education to help them to understand the importance of safe use of technology and the internet both in and out of school.

I understand that the school has discussed/will discuss the Acceptable Use Agreement with my son / daughter and that they have received, or will receive, online safety education to help them understand the importance of safe use of technology and the internet – both in and out of school.

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 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 systems will be monitored and that the school will contact me if they have concerns about any possible breaches of the Acceptable Use Agreement or Policy.

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

Signed:

Date: