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Dear Parents

### **Internet - Acceptable use in School (KS1)**

As part of your child's curriculum and the development of ICT skills, Blackawton Primary School is providing supervised access to the Internet. We believe that *children's use of computer facilities including Internet access are an essential part of learning, as required by the National Curriculum*. The effective use of the World Wide Web and email is worthwhile and is an essential skill for children as they grow up in the modern world.

**Please read, sign and return the 'acceptable use policy' overleaf so that your child may use the Internet at school.**

Although there are concerns about pupils having access to undesirable materials, we have taken positive steps to reduce this risk in school. Our school operates a filtering system that restricts access to inappropriate materials. This may not be the case at home and I have inserted two web addresses which provide you with further information about internet safety.

Whilst every endeavour is made to ensure that suitable restrictions are placed on the ability of children to access inappropriate materials, the school cannot be held responsible for the nature or content of materials accessed through the Internet.

Yours sincerely

Liam Fielding  
Headteacher

<http://www.parentscentre.gov.uk/usingcomputersandtheinternet>

<http://www.kidsmart.org.uk/parents>

**Article 36:** Children should be protected from any activity that takes advantage of them or could harm their welfare and development.

## **Pupil Acceptable Use Policy Agreement – for younger pupils (Foundation / KS1)**

Digital technologies have become integral to the lives of children and young people, both within schools and outside school.

These technologies are powerful tools, which open up new opportunities for everyone.

These technologies can stimulate discussion, promote creativity and stimulate awareness of context to promote effective learning.

Young people should have an entitlement to safe internet access at all times.

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

- I will ask a teacher or suitable adult if I want to use the computers / tablets
- I will only use activities that a teacher or suitable adult has told or allowed me to use
- I will take care of the computer and other equipment
- I will ask for help from a teacher or suitable adult if I am not sure what to do or if I think I have done something wrong
- I will tell a teacher or suitable adult if I see something that upsets me on the screen
- I know that if I break the rules I might not be allowed to use a computer / tablet

Signed (child): COMPLETED ON ADMISSIONS PORTAL

Signed (parent): COMPLETED ON ADMISSIONS PORTAL

**Article 17** (access to information from the media). Every child has the right to reliable information from a variety of sources, and governments should encourage the media to provide information that children can understand. Governments must help protect children from materials that could harm them.

