

Foreland Fields School



Parent/Carer Acceptable Use of Technology Policy (AUP)

Governing Body Approval and Categories

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Named Lead for Writing the Policy	Headteacher (DSL)
Named Governor for Scrutiny	Governors with Responsibility for Safeguarding – Lucy Taylor and Amy Moat
Approval Body	Strategy Team
Display on Main Web Site	No
NOTE: IF THIS POLICY HAS BEEN SCRUTINISED BY A DIFFERENT LEAD GOVERNOR OR BEEN RATIFIED BY A DIFFERENT GOVERNING TEAM PLEASE STATE WHICH TEAM	
Signed – Chair of Governors 	Date 8-10-25

United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child

Foreland Fields School is a Rights Respecting School thereby this policy ensures that the following rights are acknowledged:



Article 12 (respect for the views of the child)

Every child has the right to express their views, feelings and wishes in all matters affecting them, and to have their views considered and taken seriously.

Article 23 (children with a disability)

A child with a disability has the right to live a full and decent life with dignity and, as far as possible, independence and to play an active part in the community.

Article 28 (right to education)

Every child has the right to an education. Primary education must be free and different forms of secondary education must be available to every child. Discipline in schools must respect children's dignity and their rights.

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1. I know that my child will be provided with internet access and will use a range of IT systems in order to access the curriculum and be prepared for modern life whilst at Foreland Fields School.
2. I understand that the AUP applies to my child's use of school devices and systems on site and at home, and personal use where there are safeguarding and/or behaviour concerns. This may include if online behaviour poses a threat or causes harm to another pupil/student, could have repercussions for the orderly running of the school, if a pupil/student is identifiable as a member of the school, or if the behaviour could adversely affect the reputation of the school.
3. I am aware that use of mobile and smart technology, such as mobile phones by children, is not permitted at Foreland Fields School, except where Teachers are delivering lessons supporting pupils/learners in understanding how to stay safe online. I understand that my child's phone will be stored safely by the class teacher at the start of each day and returned to them at the end of the school day.
4. I understand that my child needs a safe and appropriate place to access remote/online learning, for example if school. I will ensure my child's access to remote/online learning is appropriately supervised and any use is in accordance with the school remote/online learning AUP.
5. I am aware that any use of school devices and systems are appropriately filtered, (this means all internet traffic through school devices) and may be monitored for safety and security reason to keep my child safe and to ensure policy compliance. This monitoring will be proportionate and will take place in accordance with data protection, privacy, and human rights legislation. This includes reports of suspicious /dangerous search enquires.
6. I understand that the school will take every reasonable precaution, including implementing appropriate monitoring and filtering systems, to ensure my child is safe when they use school devices and systems. However, I understand that the school cannot ultimately be held responsible for filtering breaches that occur due to the dynamic nature of materials accessed online, or if my child is using a personal device, including mobile or smart technologies.
7. I am aware that my child 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.
8. I have read and discussed Foreland Fields School child/pupil/student Acceptable Use of Technology Policy (AUP) with my child.

9. I will support school safeguarding policies and will ensure that I use appropriate parental controls, will appropriately supervise/monitor my child's use of the internet outside of school and will discuss online safety with them when they access technology at home.
10. I know I can seek support from the school about online safety, such as via the school website, to help keep my child safe online at home.
11. I will support the school approach to online safety. I will role model safe and positive online behaviour for my child by sharing images, text, and video online responsibly.
12. I, together with my child, will not deliberately upload or share any content that could upset, threaten the safety of or offend any member of the school community, or content that could adversely affect the reputation of the school.
13. I understand that a partnership approach to online safety is required. If the school has any concerns about either my or my child's behaviour or safety online, then I will be contacted.
14. I understand that if I or my child do not abide by the Foreland Fields School AUP, appropriate action will be taken. This could include sanctions being applied in line with the school policies and if a criminal offence has been committed, the police being contacted.
15. I know that I can speak to the Designated Safeguarding Lead (Adrian Mount), my child's class teacher or any of the Safeguarding team if I have any concerns about online safety.

I have read, understood and agree to comply with Foreland Fields School Parent/Carer Acceptable Use of Technology Policy.

Child's Name.....

Child's Signature

Class

Date.....

Parent/Carer's Name.....

Parent/Carer's Signature.....

Date.....