

# Foreland Fields School Wi-Fi Acceptable Use of Technology Policy

## **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
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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 - 75

## 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 13 (freedom of expression)

Every child must be free to express their thoughts and opinions and to access all kinds of information, as long as it is within the law.

#### 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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As a professional organisation with responsibility for children's safeguarding it is important that all members of the school community are fully aware of the school boundaries and requirements when using the school Wi-Fi systems, and take all possible and necessary measures to protect data and information systems from infection, unauthorised access, damage, loss, abuse and theft.

This is not an exhaustive list, and all members of the school community are reminded that technology use should be consistent with our ethos, other appropriate policies, and the law.

- The school provides Wi-Fi for the school community and allows staff and visitor access
  for tasks associated with education (plus any tasks that fall within the remit of public
  duty). Guest passes are provided for the duration of the visit by the Network Manager.
  The system generates the password which staff and visitors should not share and keep
  securely.
- 2. I am aware that the school will not be liable for any damages or claims of any kind arising from the use of the wireless service. The school takes no responsibility for the security, safety, theft, insurance, and ownership of any device used within the school premises that is not the property of the school.
- 3. The use of technology falls under Foreland Fields School Acceptable Use of Technology Policy (AUP), online safety policy, staff behaviour policy, data security policy, safeguarding/child protection policy which all children/pupils/students/staff/visitors and volunteers must agree to and comply with.
- 4. The school reserves the right to limit the bandwidth of the wireless service, as necessary, to ensure network reliability and fair sharing of network resources for all users
- 5. The school owned information systems, including Wi-Fi, must be used lawfully; I understand that the Computer Misuse Act 1990 makes the following criminal offences: to gain unauthorised access to computer material; to gain unauthorised access to computer material with intent to commit or facilitate commission of further offences or to modify computer material without authorisation.
- 6. I will take all practical steps necessary to make sure that any equipment connected to the school service is adequately secure, such as up-to-date anti-virus software, systems updates.
- 7. The school wireless service is not secure, and the school cannot guarantee the safety of traffic across it. Use of the school wireless service is done at my own risk. By using this service, I acknowledge that security errors and hacking are an inherent risk associated with any wireless network. I confirm that I knowingly assume such risk.
- 8. The school accepts no responsibility for any software downloaded and/or installed, email opened, or sites accessed via the school wireless service's connection to the internet. Any damage done to equipment for any reason including, but not limited to,

- viruses, identity theft, spyware, plug-ins or other internet-borne programs is my sole responsibility; and I indemnify and hold harmless the school from any such damage.
- 9. I will respect system security; I will not disclose any password or security information that is given to me. To prevent unauthorised access, I will not leave any information system unattended without first logging out or locking my login as appropriate.
- 10. I am aware that all internet traffic on the school system are appropriately monitored and filtered.
- 11. I will not attempt to bypass any of the school security and filtering systems or download any unauthorised software or applications.
- 12. My use of school Wi-Fi will be safe and responsible and will always be in accordance with the school AUP and the law including copyright and intellectual property rights. This includes the use of email, text, social media, social networking, gaming, web publications and any other devices or websites.
- 13. I will not upload, download, access or forward any material which is illegal or inappropriate or may cause harm, distress or offence to any other person, or anything which could bring the school/setting into disrepute.
- 14. I will report any online safety concerns, filtering breaches or receipt of inappropriate materials to the Designated Safeguarding Lead (Adrian Mount) as soon as possible.
- 15. If I have any queries or questions regarding safe behaviour online, I will discuss them with Designated Safeguarding Lead (Adrian Mount).
- 16. I understand that my use of the school Wi-Fi may be monitored and recorded to ensure policy compliance in accordance with privacy and data protection legislation. If the school suspects that unauthorised and/or inappropriate use or unacceptable or inappropriate behaviour may be taking place, then the school may terminate or restrict usage. If the school suspects that the system may be being used for criminal purposes, the matter will be brought to the attention of the relevant enforcement organisation.

Wi-Fi Acceptable Use of Technology Acknowledgement
I have read, understood and agreed to comply with Foreland Field School's Wi-Fi Acceptable Use Policy.
Name:
Signed:
Date (DD/MM/YY)