

# Acceptable Use Policy for Parents/Carers

Be your best *you*

I understand that the River and Lydden Primary School Acceptable Use Policy will help keep me safe and happy online.

- I, with my child, have read and discussed Lydden and River Primary Schools Federation's child Acceptable Use of Technology policy (AUP) and understand that the AUP will help keep my child safe online.
- I understand that the AUP applies to my child's use of school devices and systems on site and at home including (laptops/ipads), 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 child, could have repercussions for the orderly running of the school, if a child is identifiable as a member of the school, or if the behaviour could adversely affect the reputation of the school.
- I am aware that any use of school devices and systems will 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.
- I am aware that the school mobile technology policy states that my child cannot use a personal device or mobile and smart technology on site. This includes Apple Watches or similar (with messaging, call or camera functions). ***Should they need to bring a device into school, this must be given to the class teacher, who will then return it at the end of the school day.***
- I understand that the school will take every reasonable precaution, including implementing appropriate monitoring and filtering systems as above, to ensure my child is safe when they use school devices and systems, on and offsite. I however 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.
- I and my child are aware of the importance of safe online behaviour and will not deliberately upload or share any content e.g. images, video, sounds or text, 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.
- 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.
- I have read and discussed the child's Acceptable Use of Technology Policy (AUP) with my child.
- I will support school's online safety approaches.

- I will use appropriate parental controls and will encourage my child to adopt safe use of the internet and other technology at home, as appropriate to their age and understanding.
- I understand that a partnership approach to online safety is required. The school will contact me if they have concerns about any possible breaches of the AUP or have any concerns about my child's safety.
- I will inform the school or other relevant organisations if I have concerns over my child's or other members of the school communities' safety online.
- If I have any concerns regarding my child or the school, I will contact the school directly and not share this on any social media platforms.
- I understand that if I or my child do not abide by the school's AUP, appropriate action will be taken. This could include sanctions being applied in line with the school policies. E.g. behaviour and anti-bullying and if a criminal offence has been committed, the police being contacted.
- I know that the following social media sites are not primary school age appropriate.  
**Facebook, Instagram, WhatsApp and Snapchat are all 13 +**
- I will regularly monitor my child's personal devices, ensuring that any communication they have with others is respectful and kind.
- I know that I can speak to any school adult if I have any concerns about online safety. The school's Designated Safeguarding Lead is Mrs Alliston. Deputy Safeguarding Leads are Mrs Brown, Ms Moody Miss Chase.

### Remote Learning

- I understand that my child needs a safe and appropriate place to access remote learning if school is closed for any reason. I will ensure my child's access to remote learning is appropriately supervised.
- When accessing video learning, I will ensure they are in an appropriate location (e.g. not in bed) and that they are suitably dressed, with an appropriate and neutral background.
- I will inform the class teacher if my child cannot attend a learning session through the class email address.

Child's Name	
Child's Signature	
Class	Date
Parents Name	
Parents Signature	Date