



## Parents/Carers Acceptable Use Policy and Acknowledgement form

April 2024

Article 3 – Adults must do what’s best for me



Article 12 – I have the right to be listened to, and taken seriously



Article 19 - I have the right to be protected from being hurt or badly treated.



Article 28 – You have the right to a good quality education. You should be encouraged to go to school to the highest level you can.



## **Key Contact Personnel in School**

**Nominated Member of Leadership Staff Responsible for the policy:**

**Sarah Costain**

**Designated Safeguarding Lead: Sarah Costain**

**DPO: Sarah Costain**

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**This policy will be reviewed following any concerns and/or updates to national and local guidance or procedure**

## Acceptable Use of Technology for Parents/Carer and Acknowledgement.

I have read and discussed the Five Acre Wood Acceptable Use of Technology policy (AUP) with my child (where appropriate) and understand that the AUP will help keep my child safe online.

1. I understand that the AUP applies to my child's use of school devices and systems on site and at home (this includes laptops, iPads, smart/mobile phone and wearable technology). It also includes personal use where there are safeguarding and/or behaviour concerns. This may include online behaviour if it poses a threat or causes harm to another pupil, could have repercussions for the orderly running of the school, if a pupil is identifiable as a member of the school, or if the behaviour could adversely affect the reputation of the school.
2. I understand that school devices and systems are appropriately filtered.
3. I am aware that my child's use of school provided devices and systems will be monitored for safety and security reasons, when used on and offsite. Monitoring approaches are in place to keep my child safe. Monitoring will be proportionate and will take place in accordance with data protection, privacy, and human rights legislation.
4. 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, on and offsite. 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 devices.
5. I understand that my child needs a safe and appropriate place to access remote/online learning if the school is closed. I will ensure my child's access to remote/online learning is appropriately supervised and any use is in accordance with the school remote learning AUP.
6. I and my child are aware of the importance of safe online behaviour and 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.
7. I understand that 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 online.

8. I will inform the school (for example speaking to a teacher or the Designated Safeguarding Lead) or other relevant organisations if I have concerns over my child's or other members of the school community's safety online.
9. I know 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.
10. I understand my role and responsibility in supporting the school online safety approaches and safeguarding my child online. I will use parental controls, supervise access, and will encourage my child to adopt safe use of the internet and other technology at home, as appropriate to their age and understanding.
11. 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.
12. I know I can seek support from the school about online safety, such as via the school website ([Online Safety | Five Acre Wood School](#)), to help keep my child safe online at home.
13. 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.
14. 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.
15. 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.
16. I understand that if I or my child do not abide by the 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.
17. I know that I can speak to the Designated Safeguarding Lead (Sarah Costain), my child's class teacher or the Headteacher if I have any concerns about online safety.

Child's Name.....	Child's Signature ..... (if appropriate)
Class.....	Date.....
Parents Name.....	
Parents Signature.....	Date.....