

**The Mead Infant and Nursery School
E-Safety Rules and Parent/Carer Agreement**








All pupils use computer facilities, including Internet access, as an essential part of learning and as required by the National Curriculum.

At The Mead Infant and Nursery School children frequently have access to computers which are Internet linked. This includes accessing the Internet for researching information and for using educational software.

We know some parents will be anxious that children will be able to access unsuitable material. I am sure that it will put your minds at rest to know that the parts of the internet that the children can access are strictly limited and that all material is 'filtered' through 'Lightspeed' - a web filtering system used by schools and in industry. The children's use of the computers will only be during lesson time and they will be carefully monitored during that time. We teach the children how to use the Internet safely and what to do if they are worried by anything.

In order that we comply with the school's policy for the acceptable use of the Internet, please read the e-safety rules for pupils and e-safety agreement below and then complete the relevant section on your child's admission form to confirm that you have read and agreed to the e-safety rules and agreement.

E-Safety Rules for Early Years Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1

Acceptable use of the school computers	
<i>These rules help me to stay safe on the Internet.</i>	
	<i>I will take care of the school computers.</i>
	<i>I will only use the Internet when I have been given permission by an adult.</i>
	<i>I will tell an adult if I see something on the Internet that upsets me.</i>
	<i>I will not tell other people personal things about me.</i>
	<i>I will always be polite and friendly when I write messages on the Internet.</i>

E-Safety Agreement for Parents/Carers

- I grant permission for my child to have access to use the Internet, school email system, learning platform and other ICT facilities at school and understand and agree to the terms as set out in this agreement.
- I accept that ultimately the school cannot be held responsible for the nature and content of materials accessed through the Internet and mobile technologies, but I understand that the school will take every reasonable precaution to keep pupils safe and to prevent pupils from accessing inappropriate materials. These steps include using an educationally filtered service, restricted access email, employing appropriate teaching practice and teaching e-safety skills to pupils.
- I understand that the school can check my child's computer files and the Internet sites that they visit, and that if they have concerns about their e-safety or e-behaviour they will contact me.
- I understand the school is not liable for any damages arising from my child's use of the Internet facilities.
- I will support the school by promoting safe use of the Internet and digital technology at home and will inform the school if I have any concerns over my child's e-safety.