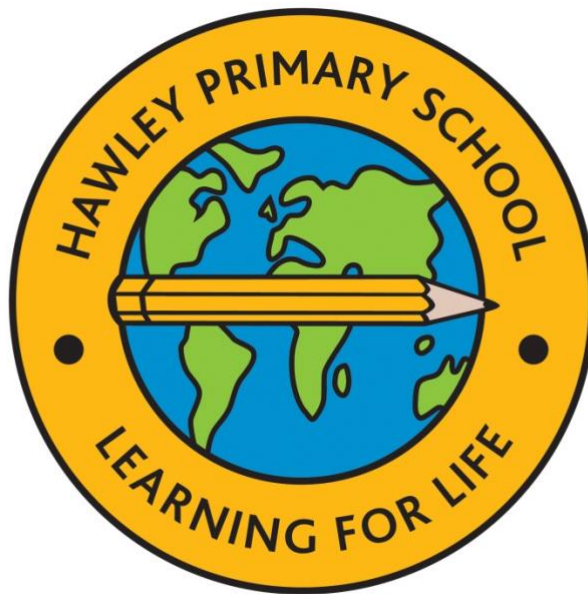


HAWLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL



ONLINE SAFETY POLICY

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1. Aims

Our school aims to:

- Have robust processes in place to ensure the online safety of pupils, staff, volunteers and governors
- Identify and support groups of pupils that are potentially at greater risk of harm online than others
- Deliver an effective approach to online safety, which empowers us to protect and educate the whole school community in its use of technology, including mobile and smart technology (which we refer to as ‘mobile phones’)
- Establish clear mechanisms to identify, intervene and escalate an incident, where appropriate

The 4 key categories of risk

Our approach to online safety is based on addressing the following categories of risk:

Content – being exposed to illegal, inappropriate or harmful content, such as pornography, misinformation, disinformation (including fake news), conspiracy theories, racism, misogyny, self-harm, suicide, antisemitism, radicalisation and extremism

Contact – being subjected to harmful online interaction with other users, such as peer-to-peer pressure, commercial advertising and adults posing as children or young adults with the intention to groom or exploit the user for sexual, criminal, financial or other purposes

Conduct – personal online behaviour that increases the likelihood of, or causes, harm, such as making, sending and receiving explicit images (e.g. consensual and non-consensual sharing of nudes and semi-nudes and/or pornography), sharing other explicit images and online bullying.

Commerce – risks such as online gambling, inappropriate advertising, phishing and/or financial scams

2. Legislation and guidance

This policy is based on the Department for Education’s (DfE’s) statutory safeguarding guidance, [Keeping Children Safe in Education](#), and its advice for schools on:

- [Teaching online safety in schools](#)
- [Preventing and tackling bullying](#) and [cyber-bullying: advice for headteachers and school staff](#)
- [Relationships and sex education](#)
- [Searching, screening and confiscation](#)

It also refers to the DfE's guidance on [protecting children from radicalisation](#).

It reflects existing legislation, including but not limited to the [Education Act 1996](#) (as amended), the [Education and Inspections Act 2006](#) and the [Equality Act 2010](#). In addition, it reflects the [Education Act 2011](#), which has given teachers stronger powers to tackle cyber-bullying by, if necessary, searching for and deleting inappropriate images or files on pupils' electronic devices where they believe there is a 'good reason' to do so.

The policy also considers the National Curriculum computing programmes of study.

3. Roles and responsibilities

3.1 The governing board

The governing board has overall responsibility for monitoring this policy and holding the headteacher to account for its implementation.

The governing board will make sure all staff undergo online safety training as part of child protection and safeguarding training, and ensure staff understand their expectations, roles and responsibilities around filtering and monitoring.

The governing board will also make sure all staff receive regular online safety updates (via email, e-bulletins and staff meetings), as required and at least annually, to ensure they are continually provided with the relevant skills and knowledge to effectively safeguard children.

The governing board will co-ordinate regular meetings with appropriate staff to discuss online safety and requirements for training and monitor online safety logs as provided by the designated safeguarding lead (DSL).

The governing board will make sure that the school teaches pupils how to keep themselves and others safe, including online.

The governing board will make sure that the school has appropriate filtering and monitoring systems in place on school devices and school networks and will regularly review their effectiveness. The board will review the [DfE's filtering and monitoring standards](#), and discuss with IT staff and service providers what needs to be done to support the school in meeting the standards, which include:

- Identifying and assigning roles and responsibilities to manage filtering and monitoring systems
- Reviewing filtering and monitoring provisions at least annually
- Blocking harmful and inappropriate content without unreasonably impacting teaching and learning
- Having effective monitoring strategies in place that meet the school's safeguarding needs
- The governor who oversees online safety is our **Safeguarding Governor Mr. C Woolnough**.

All governors will:

- Make sure they have read and understand this policy
- Agree and adhere to the terms on acceptable use of the school's ICT systems and the internet (appendix 3)
- Make sure that online safety is a running and interrelated theme when devising and implementing the whole-school or college approach to safeguarding and related policies and/or procedures
- Make sure that, where necessary, teaching about safeguarding, including online safety, is adapted for vulnerable children, victims of abuse and some pupils with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND). This is because of the importance of recognising that a 'one size fits all' approach may not be appropriate for all children in all situations, and a more personalised or contextualised approach may often be more suitable

3.2 The headteacher

The headteacher is responsible for making sure that staff understand this policy, and that it is being implemented consistently throughout the school.

3.3 The designated safeguarding lead (DSL)

Details of the school's designated safeguarding lead (DSL) and deputies are set out in our child protection and safeguarding policy, as well as relevant job descriptions.

The DSL takes lead responsibility for online safety in school, in particular:

- Supporting the headteacher in making sure that staff understand this policy and that it is being implemented consistently throughout the school
- Working with the headteacher and governing board to review this policy annually and make sure the procedures and implementation are updated and reviewed regularly
- Taking the lead on understanding the filtering and monitoring systems and processes in place on school devices and school networks
- Providing governors with assurance that filtering and monitoring systems are working effectively and reviewed regularly
- Working with the ICT manager to make sure the appropriate systems and processes are in place
- Working with the headteacher, ICT manager and other staff, as necessary, to address any online safety issues or incidents
- Managing all online safety issues and incidents in line with the school's child protection policy
- Responding to safeguarding concerns identified by filtering and monitoring
- Making sure that any online safety incidents are logged (see appendix 5) and dealt with appropriately in line with this policy
- Making sure that any incidents of cyber-bullying are logged and dealt with appropriately in line with the school behaviour policy
- Updating and delivering staff training on online safety (appendix 4 contains a self-audit for staff on online safety training needs)
- Liaising with other agencies and/or external services if necessary
- Providing regular reports on online safety in school to the headteacher and/or governing board
- Undertaking annual risk assessments that consider and reflect the risks pupils face
- Providing regular safeguarding and child protection updates, including online safety, to all staff, at least annually, to continue to provide them with relevant skills and knowledge to safeguard effectively

This list is not intended to be exhaustive.

3.4 The ICT manager

The ICT manager is responsible for:

- Putting in place an appropriate level of security protection procedures, such as filtering and monitoring systems on school devices and school networks, which are reviewed and updated at least annually to assess effectiveness and make sure pupils are kept safe from potentially harmful and inappropriate content and contact online while at school, including terrorist and extremist material
- Making sure that the school's ICT systems are secure and protected against viruses and malware, and that such safety mechanisms are updated regularly
- Conducting a full security check and monitoring the school's ICT systems monthly
- Blocking access to potentially dangerous sites and, where possible, preventing the downloading of potentially dangerous files

- Making sure that any online safety incidents are logged (see appendix 5) and dealt with appropriately in line with this policy
- Making sure that any incidents of cyber-bullying are dealt with appropriately in line with the school behaviour policy

This list is not intended to be exhaustive.

3.5 All staff and volunteers

All staff, including contractors and agency staff, and volunteers are responsible for:

- Maintaining an understanding of this policy
- Implementing this policy consistently
- Agreeing and adhering to the terms on acceptable use of the school's ICT systems and the internet (appendix 3), and making sure that pupils follow the school's terms on acceptable use (appendices 1 and 2)
- Knowing that the DSL is responsible for the filtering and monitoring systems and processes and being aware of how to report any incidents of those systems or processes failing by reporting to the Headteacher/DSL.
- Following the correct procedures by contacting the DSL/Headteacher if they need to bypass the filtering and monitoring systems for educational purposes
- Working with the DSL to make sure that any online safety incidents are logged (see appendix 5) and dealt with appropriately in line with this policy
- Making sure that any incidents of cyber-bullying are dealt with appropriately in line with the school behaviour policy
- Responding appropriately to all reports and concerns about sexual violence and/or harassment, both online and offline, and maintaining an attitude of 'it could happen here'

This list is not intended to be exhaustive.

3.6 Parents/carers

Parents/carers are expected to:

- Notify a member of staff or the headteacher of any concerns or queries regarding this policy
- Make sure that their child has read, understood and agreed to the terms on acceptable use of the school's ICT systems and internet (appendices 1 and 2)

Parents/carers can seek further guidance on keeping children safe online from the following organisations and websites:

- What are the issues? – [UK Safer Internet Centre](#)
- Help and advice for parents/carers – [Childnet](#)
- Parents and carers resource sheet – [Childnet](#)

3.7 Visitors and members of the community

Visitors and members of the community who use the school's ICT systems or internet will be made aware of this policy and expected to read and follow it. If appropriate, they will be expected to agree to the terms on acceptable use (appendix 3).

4. Educating pupils about online safety

Pupils will be taught about online safety as part of the curriculum.

All schools must teach:

- [Relationships education and health education](#) in primary schools
- [Relationships and sex education and health education](#) in secondary schools

In **Key Stage (KS) 1**, pupils will be taught to:

- Use technology safely and respectfully, keeping personal information private
- Identify where to go for help and support when they have concerns about content or contact on the internet or other online technologies

Pupils in **Key Stage (KS) 2** will be taught to:

- Use technology safely, respectfully and responsibly
- Recognise acceptable and unacceptable behaviour
- Identify a range of ways to report concerns about content and contact
- Be discerning in evaluating digital content

By the **end of primary school**, pupils will know:

That people should be respectful in online interactions, and that the same principles apply to online relationships as to face-to-face relationships, including where people are anonymous. For example, the importance of avoiding putting pressure on others to share information and images online, and strategies for resisting peer pressure

How to critically evaluate their online relationships and sources of information, including awareness of the risks associated with people they have never met. For example, that people sometimes behave differently online, including pretending to be someone else, or pretending to be a child, and that this can lead to dangerous situations. How to recognise harmful content or harmful contact, and how to report this

That there is a minimum age for joining social media sites (currently 13), which protects children from inappropriate content or unsafe contact with older social media users, who may be strangers, including other children and adults

The importance of exercising caution about sharing any information about themselves online.
Understanding the importance of privacy and location settings to protect information online

Online risks, including that any material provided online might be circulated, and that once a picture or words has been circulated there is no way of deleting it everywhere and no control over where it ends up

That the internet contains a lot of content that can be inappropriate and upsetting for children, and where to go for advice and support when they feel worried or concerned about something they have seen or engaged with online

The safe use of social media and the internet will also be covered in other subjects where relevant.

Where necessary, teaching about safeguarding, including online safety, will be adapted for vulnerable children, victims of abuse and some pupils with SEND.

4.2 Pupils will be taught practical cyber security skills

All pupils will receive age-appropriate training on safe internet use, including:

- Methods that hackers use to trick people into disclosing personal information
- Password security
- Social engineering

- The risks of removable storage devices (e.g. USBs)
- Multi-factor authentication
- How to report a cyber incident or attack
- How to report a personal data breach

Pupils will also receive age-appropriate education on safeguarding issues such as cyberbullying and the risks of online radicalisation.

5. Educating parents/carers about online safety

The school will raise parents/carers' awareness of internet safety in letters or other communications home, and in information via our website. This policy will also be shared with parents/carers.

Online safety will also be covered during parents' evenings.

The school will let parents/carers know:

- What systems the school uses to filter and monitor online use
- What their children are being asked to do online, including the sites they will be asked to access and who from the school (if anyone) their child will be interacting with online

If parents/carers have any queries or concerns in relation to online safety, these should be raised in the first instance with the headteacher and/or the DSL.

Concerns or queries about this policy can be raised with any member of staff or the headteacher.

6. Cyber-bullying

6.1 Definition

Cyber-bullying takes place online, such as through social networking sites, messaging apps or gaming sites. Like other forms of bullying, it is the repetitive, intentional harming of 1 person or group by another person or group, where the relationship involves an imbalance of power. (See also the school behaviour policy.)

6.2 Preventing and addressing cyber-bullying

To help prevent cyber-bullying, we will ensure that pupils understand what it is and what to do if they become aware of it happening to them or others. We will ensure that pupils know how they can report any incidents and encourage them to do so, including where they are a witness rather than the victim.

The school will actively discuss cyber-bullying with pupils, explaining the reasons why it occurs, the forms it may take and what the consequences can be. Class teachers will discuss cyber-bullying with their classes.

Teaching staff are also encouraged to find opportunities to use aspects of the curriculum to cover cyber-bullying. This includes personal, social, health and economic (PSHE) education, and other subjects where appropriate.

All staff, governors and volunteers (where appropriate) receive training on cyber-bullying, its impact and ways to support pupils, as part of safeguarding training (see section 11 for more detail).

The school also sends information/leaflets on cyber-bullying to parents/carers so they are aware of the signs, how to report it and how they can support children who may be affected.

In relation to a specific incident of cyber-bullying, the school will follow the processes set out in the school behaviour policy. Where illegal, inappropriate or harmful material has been spread among pupils, the school will use all reasonable endeavours to ensure the incident is contained.

The DSL will report the incident and provide the relevant material to the police as soon as is reasonably practicable, if they have reasonable grounds to suspect that possessing that material is illegal. They will also work with external services if it is deemed necessary to do so.

6.3 Examining electronic devices

The headteacher, and any member of staff authorised to do so by the headteacher can carry out a search and confiscate any electronic device that they have reasonable grounds for suspecting:

- Poses a risk to staff or pupils, and/or
- Is identified in the school rules as a banned item for which a search can be carried out, and/or
- Is evidence in relation to an offence

Before a search, if the authorised staff member is satisfied that they have reasonable grounds for suspecting any of the above, they will also:

- Assess how urgent the search is and consider the risk to other pupils and staff. If the search is not urgent, they will seek advice from the Headteacher/DSL
- Explain to the pupil why they are being searched, and how the search will happen; and give them the opportunity to ask questions about it
- Seek the pupil's co-operation

Authorised staff members may examine, and in exceptional circumstances erase, any data or files on an electronic device that they have confiscated where they believe there is a 'good reason' to do so.

When deciding whether there is a 'good reason' to examine data or files on an electronic device, the staff member should reasonably suspect that the device has, or could be used to:

- Cause harm, and/or
- Undermine the safe environment of the school or disrupt teaching, and/or
- Commit an offence

If inappropriate material is found on the device, it is up to the DSL/Headteacher to decide on a suitable response. If there are images, data or files on the device that staff reasonably suspect are likely to put a person at risk, they will first consider the appropriate safeguarding response.

When deciding whether there is a good reason to erase data or files from a device, staff members will consider if the material may constitute evidence relating to a suspected offence. In these instances, they will not delete the material, and the device will be handed to the police as soon as reasonably practicable. If the material is not suspected to be evidence in relation to an offence, staff members may delete it if:

- They reasonably suspect that its continued existence is likely to cause harm to any person, and/or
- The pupil and/or the parent/carers refuses to delete the material themselves

If a staff member **suspects** a device **may** contain an indecent image of a child (also known as a nude or semi-nude image), they will:

- **Not** view the image
- Confiscate the device and report the incident to the DSL (or equivalent) immediately, who will decide what to do next. The DSL will make the decision in line with the DfE's latest guidance on [screening, searching and confiscation](#) and the UK Council for Internet Safety (UKCIS) guidance on [sharing nudes and semi-nudes: advice for education settings working with children and young people](#)

Any searching of pupils will be carried out in line with:

- The DfE's latest guidance on [searching, screening and confiscation](#)
- UKCIS guidance on [sharing nudes and semi-nudes: advice for education settings working with children and young people](#)
- Our Positive Relationships and Behaviour Management Policy, Child Protection Policy and Safeguarding Policy.

Any complaints about searching for or deleting inappropriate images or files on pupils' electronic devices will be dealt with through the school complaints procedure.

6.4 Artificial intelligence (AI)

Generative AI tools are now widespread and easy to access. Staff, pupils and parents/carers may be familiar with generative chatbots such as ChatGPT and Google Gemini.

Hawley Primary School recognises that AI has many uses to help pupils learn but may also have the potential to be used to bully others. For example, in the form of 'deepfakes', where AI is used to create images, audio or video hoaxes that look real. This includes deepfake pornography: pornographic content created using AI to include someone's likeness.

Hawley Primary School will treat any use of AI to bully pupils very seriously, in line with our Anti Bullying and Positive Relationship and Behaviour Management Policy.

Staff should be aware of the risks of using AI tools while they are still being developed and should carry out a risk assessment where new AI tools are being used by the school and where existing AI tools are used in cases which may pose a risk to all individuals that may be affected by them, including, but not limited to, pupils and staff.

7. Acceptable use of the internet in school

All pupils, parents/carers, staff, volunteers and governors are expected to sign an agreement regarding the acceptable use of the school's ICT systems and the internet (appendices 1 to 3). Visitors will be expected to read and agree to the school's terms on acceptable use, if relevant.

Use of the school's internet must be for educational purposes only, or for the purpose of fulfilling the duties of an individual's role.

We will monitor the websites visited by pupils, staff, volunteers, governors and visitors (where relevant) to ensure they comply with the above and restrict access through filtering systems where appropriate.

More information is set out in the acceptable use agreements in appendices 1 to 3.

8. Pupils using mobile devices in school

Pupils may bring mobile devices into school, but are not permitted to use them during:

- The school day
- Clubs before or after school, or any other activities organised by the school

Any use of mobile devices in school by pupils must be in line with the acceptable use agreement (see appendices 1 and 2).

Any breach of the acceptable use agreement by a pupil may trigger disciplinary action in line with the school behaviour policy, which may result in the confiscation of their device.

9. Staff using work devices outside school

All staff members will take appropriate steps to ensure their devices remain secure. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Keeping the device password-protected – strong passwords can be made up of [3 random words](#), in combination with numbers and special characters if required, or generated by a password manager
- Ensuring their hard drive is encrypted – this means if the device is lost or stolen, no one can access the files stored on the hard drive by attaching it to a new device
- Making sure the device locks if left inactive for a period
- Not sharing the device among family or friends
- Installing anti-virus and anti-spyware software

- Keeping operating systems up to date by promptly installing the latest updates

Staff members must not use the device in any way that would violate the school's terms of acceptable use, as set out in appendix 3.

Work devices must be used solely for work activities.

If staff have any concerns over the security of their device, they must seek advice from the IT Technician and report to the Headteacher/DSL.

10. How the school will respond to issues of misuse

Where a pupil misuses the school's ICT systems or internet, we will follow the procedures set out in our policies on positive relationships and behaviour management as well as acceptable use. The action taken will depend on the individual circumstances, nature and seriousness of the specific incident, and will be proportionate.

Where a staff member misuses the school's ICT systems or the internet or misuses a personal device where the action constitutes misconduct, the matter will be dealt with in accordance with the staff disciplinary procedures/ staff code of conduct.

The action taken will depend on the individual circumstances, nature and seriousness of the specific incident.

The school will consider whether incidents that involve illegal activity or content, or otherwise serious incidents, should be reported to the police.

11. Training

11.1 Staff, governors and volunteers

All new staff members will receive training, as part of their induction, on safe internet use and online safeguarding issues, including cyber-bullying and the risks of online radicalisation.

All staff members will receive refresher training at least once each academic year as part of safeguarding training, as well as relevant updates as required (for example through emails, e-bulletins and staff meetings).

By way of this training, all staff will be made aware that:

- Technology is a significant component in many safeguarding and wellbeing issues, and that children are at risk of online abuse

Children can abuse their peers online through:

- Abusive, threatening, harassing and misogynistic messages
- Non-consensual sharing of indecent nude and semi-nude images and/or videos, especially around chat groups
- Sharing of abusive images and pornography, to those who don't want to receive such content
- Physical abuse, sexual violence and initiation/hazing type violence can all contain an online element

Training will also help staff:

- Develop better awareness to assist in spotting the signs and symptoms of online abuse
- Develop the ability to ensure pupils can recognise dangers and risks in online activity and can weigh up the risks
- Develop the ability to influence pupils to make the healthiest long-term choices and keep them safe from harm in the short term

The DSL and deputies will undertake child protection and safeguarding training, which will include online safety, at least every 2 years. They will also update their knowledge and skills about online safety at regular intervals, and at least annually.

Governors will receive training on safe internet use and online safeguarding issues as part of their safeguarding training.

Volunteers will receive appropriate training and updates, if applicable.

More information about safeguarding training is set out in our child protection and safeguarding policy.

11.2 Pupils

All pupils will receive age-appropriate training on safe internet use, including:

- Methods that hackers use to trick people into disclosing personal information
- Password security
- Social engineering
- The risks of removable storage devices (e.g. USBs)
- Multi-factor authentication
- How to report a cyber incident or attack
- How to report a personal data breach

Pupils will also receive age-appropriate training on safeguarding issues such as cyberbullying and the risks of online radicalisation.

12. Monitoring arrangements

The DSL logs behaviour and safeguarding issues related to online safety. An incident report log can be found using CPOMS.

This policy will be reviewed annually by the Headteacher. At every review, the policy will be shared with the governing board. The review (such as the one available [here](#)) will be supported by an annual risk assessment that considers and reflects the risks pupils face online. This is important because technology, and the risks and harms related to it, evolve and change rapidly.

13. Links with other policies

This online safety policy is linked to our:

- Child protection and safeguarding policy
- Positive Relationships and Behaviour Management policy
- Staff disciplinary procedures
- Data protection policy and privacy notices
- Complaints procedure
- ICT and internet acceptable use policy

Appendix – Acceptable Use Agreements

Staff/Governors

To ensure that members of staff are fully aware of their professional responsibilities when using information systems and when communicating with parents, pupils, and others, they are asked to sign this code of conduct. Staff should consult the detail of the school's Policy for Staff Acceptable Use of ICT, Safeguarding and Child Protection for further information and clarification.

- I appreciate that IT includes a wide range of systems, including mobile phones, personal digital assistants, cameras, email, internet, and HCC intranet access and use of social networking and that IT use may also include personal IT devices when used for school business.
- I understand that it may be a criminal offence to use the school IT system for a purpose not permitted.
- I understand that I must not communicate information which is confidential to the school or which I do not have the authority to share.



- I understand that school information systems and hardware may not be used for personal or private without the permission of the Headteacher.
- I understand that my use of school information systems, internet and email may be monitored and recorded, subject to the safeguards outlined in the policy to ensure policy compliance.
- I understand the level of authority required to communicate with parents and pupils using the various methods of communication.
- Following Safeguarding guidance, I understand that I will not use the school IT system to access inappropriate content.
- I understand that accessing, viewing, communicating, and downloading material which is pornographic, offensive, defamatory, derogatory, harassing or bullying is inappropriate use of IT.
- I will respect system security, and I will not disclose any password or security information to anyone other than an authorised system manager. I will not use anyone's account except my own.
- I will not install any software or hardware without permission.
- I will follow the school's policy in respect of downloading and uploading of information.
- I will ensure that personal data is stored securely and is used appropriately whether in school, taken off the school premises or accessed remotely. I will not routinely keep personal data on removable storage devices. Where personal data is required, it will be password protected/encrypted and removed after use.
- I will respect copyright, intellectual property and data protection rights.
- I understand use for personal financial gain, gambling, political activity, advertising, or illegal purposes is not permitted.
- I will report any incidences of concern regarding children's safety to the Designated Safeguarding Lead or Headteacher.
- I will report any incidences of inappropriate use or abuse of IT and inappropriate electronic communications, whether by pupils or colleagues, to the Headteacher, or if appropriate, the Chair of Governors.
- I will ensure that any electronic communication undertaken on behalf of the school, including email and instant messaging are compatible with my professional role and that messages do not present personal views or opinions and cannot be misunderstood or misinterpreted.
- I understand the school's stance on use of social networking and given my professional role working with children, will exercise care in any personal use of social networking sites.
- I will ensure that any electronic communications with pupils, where permitted, are compatible with my professional role and that messages cannot be misunderstood or misinterpreted.
- I will promote online safety with pupils in my care and help them to develop a responsible attitude to system use, communication and publishing.
- I understand that inappropriate use of personal and other non-school based ICT facilities can have implications for my employment at the school where this becomes known and where activities undertaken are inconsistent with expectations of staff working with children.

The school may exercise its right to monitor the use of the school's IT systems and accesses, to intercept email and to delete inappropriate materials where it believes unauthorised use of the school's IT systems may be taking place, or the system may be being used for criminal purposes or for storing unauthorised or unlawful text, images or sound.

I have read and understand the Policy for Staff Acceptable Use of IT and understand that inappropriate use may be misconduct or gross misconduct and may, after proper investigation, lead to a disciplinary sanction or dismissal. I understand that if I need any clarification regarding my use of IT facilities, I can seek such clarification from any member of the Leadership Team.

SIGNED:

DATE:

NAME (PRINT):



Early Years Foundation Stage/KS1 Home/School Acceptable Use of Technology Agreement

The Rationale for Technology at Hawley Primary School

Digital technologies have become integral to the lives of children and young people, inside and outside schools. These technologies are powerful tools, which open new opportunities for everyone. These technologies can stimulate discussion, promote creativity, and raise awareness of context to promote effective learning. At Hawley Primary School we believe young people should always have an entitlement to safe internet access.

This Acceptable Use Agreement is intended to ensure:

- That our children use technology, including the internet, safely and responsibly inside and outside of school

- That our school systems and users are protected from accidental or deliberate misuse

At Hawley Primary School, we understand how important the use of technology is. The Internet and other technology can open opportunities for everyone. We want to ensure that when you are using the internet, you are safe and the others around you are safe too.

So that I stay safe when I am using computers:

- I will ask an adult if I want to use computers, laptops and iPads
- I will take care of the computer and other equipment I am using
- I will only use activities that an adult has told me or allowed me to use, making sure they are suitable for my age
- I will ask for help from an adult if I am not sure what to do or if I think I have done something wrong
- I will tell an adult if I see something that upsets me on the screen
- I will tell an adult if someone tries to speak to me online
- I will only share my login details with my trusted adults at home or at school
- When online, I will not share my name, age, address, or school with anyone
- I know that if I break the rules, I might not be allowed to use a computer, laptop or iPad

Please sign your name below to show that you understand and agree to these rules.

Signed (child):

Signed (parent):



Key Stage 2

Home/School Acceptable Use of Technology Agreement

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Acceptable Use of Technology - Policy Agreement

As a pupil at Hawley Primary School, I understand that I must use our school systems in a responsible way, to ensure that there is no risk to my safety or to the safety and security of the systems and other users.

For my own personal safety:

- I understand that the school will check my use of iPads, computers and laptops
- I will not share my username and password with anyone
- I will not write down my password
- I am aware of keeping safe online and I will only talk to people I know
- I will not share personal information about myself or others when online (this includes names, addresses, email addresses, telephone numbers, age, gender, educational details, financial details etc.)
- If someone online asks to meet offline, I will tell an adult
- I will immediately tell an adult if I see any messages, photos, videos, pictures or words that make me feel unsafe

I understand that everyone has the right to use technology as a resource and:

- I understand that our school technology is for educational use
- I will not use school technology for personal reasons (online gaming, file sharing, or video broadcasting, YouTube) unless I have permission from an adult at school
- I will not download anything from the Internet without permission from an adult

I will act as I expect others to act towards me:

- I will respect others' work and property, will only access my own work and property and will not access another's work or property unless I have the owner's permission
- I will be polite and responsible when I communicate with others using technology
- I appreciate that others may have different opinions online and will respect them
- I will not take or distribute images of anyone without their permission
- I will only use appropriate language

The school has the responsibility to keep me safe when using:

Mobile devices

- I will not bring my mobile phone into school, unless I have permission from the Headteacher
- I will not use any personal device on school grounds. This includes **ANY** device that does not belong to school
- I understand that if am seen with a mobile device on school premises, it will be confiscated. My Parents will be asked to collect the device from my teacher
- Hawley Primary School does not accept responsibility for any mobile device brought into school.

School devices

- I will not upload, download or access any materials which are illegal or inappropriate
- I will immediately report any damage or faults involving equipment or software
- I will not open any hyperlinks in emails or any attachments to emails, unless I know and trust the person/organisation who has sent the email
- I will not install any programmes of any school device, nor will I try to alter computer settings

When using the internet for research or recreation, I recognise that:

- I will use quote marks to show where I have used someone else's words
- Where work is protected by copyright, I will not try to download copies (including music and videos)

- When I am using the internet to find information, I will take care to check that the information that I access is accurate, as I understand that the work of others may not be truthful and may be a deliberate attempt to mislead me

I understand that I am responsible for my actions, both in and out of school:

- I understand that the school has the right to act against me if I am involved in incidents of inappropriate behaviour that are covered in this agreement when I am out of school and where they involve my membership of the school community. For example, cyber-bullying, use of images or personal information.
- I understand that if I do not comply with this 'Acceptable Use Agreement', I may lose access to the school network, iPads and the internet.
- I understand that if I do not comply with this 'Acceptable Use Agreement' my Parents will be contacted, and they may be asked to attend extra online safety training, and the Police may be involved as appropriate.

Please complete the sections on the next page to show that you have read, understood and agree to the rules included in the Acceptable Use Agreement. If you do not sign and return this agreement, access will not be granted to school systems and devices.

Home/School Acceptable Use Agreement Form

Please complete the sections below to show that you have read, understood and agree to the rules included in the Acceptable Use of Technology Agreement. If you do not sign and return this agreement, access will not be granted to school systems.

I have read and understand the above and agree to follow these guidelines when:

- I use the school systems and devices (both in and out of school)
- I use my own equipment out of school in a way that is related to me being a member of this school e.g. communicating with other members of the school

Name of Pupil:

Class:

Signed:

Date:

Parent / Carer Countersignature

Appendix: online safety training needs – self-audit for staff

ONLINE SAFETY TRAINING NEEDS AUDIT	
Name of staff member/volunteer:	Date:
Question	Yes/No (add comments if necessary)
Do you know the name of the person who has lead responsibility for online safety in school?	
Are you aware of the ways pupils can abuse their peers online?	
Do you know what you must do if a pupil approaches you with a concern or issue?	
Are you familiar with the school's acceptable use agreement for staff, volunteers, governors and visitors?	
Are you familiar with the school's acceptable use agreement for pupils and parents/carers?	
Are you familiar with the filtering and monitoring systems on the school's devices and networks?	
Do you understand your role and responsibilities in relation to filtering and monitoring?	
Do you regularly change your password for accessing the school's ICT systems?	
Are you familiar with the school's approach to tackling cyber-bullying?	
Are there any areas of online safety in which you would like training/further training?	