

Springdale First School Year 4 Acceptable Use Agreement 2023





Digital technologies have become integral to the lives of children and young people, both within schools and outside school. These technologies provide powerful tools, which open up new opportunities for everyone. They can stimulate discussion, promote creativity and stimulate awareness of context to promote effective learning. Young people should have an entitlement to safe internet access at all times.

These rules will help to keep everyone safe and help us to be fair and respectful to others.

What Children Agree to Do

I will only access computing equipment when a trusted adult gives me permission and is present.



I will immediately inform an adult if I see something that worries me, or I know is inappropriate.

I will keep my username and password secure; this includes not sharing it with others.

I understand what personal information is and will never share my own or others' personal information such as phone numbers, home addresses and names.

I will only ever use my own username and password to access the school network and subscription services.

I will respect computing equipment and will immediately notify an adult if I notice something isn't working correctly or is damaged.

I will use all communication tools such as email and blogs carefully.

I will notify an adult immediately if I notice that someone who isn't approved by an adult is messaging.

What children will NOT do

I will not look for or watch things on any online platform without checking with an adult first.

I will not deliberately look for, save or send anything that could make others upset.

I will not talk to people I do not know on the internet.

I will not tell people about myself on the internet.



I will not play/watch computer/online games/ films or television programs that are unsuitable for my age.

I will not use upsetting or unkind words when communicating with people online.

I KNOW that if I do not follow these rules, I might not be allowed to use a computer/tablet/online device.

What the school will do

Take all reasonable precautions to ensure pupils only access appropriate material.

Ensure that children using the internet are under the guidance of an adult.

Teach children only to use age appropriate games/apps/programs.

Teach children to be digitally resilient, to question people's identities and to verify information presented online.

Parents Online Safety Agreement

I understand that the school will discuss this Acceptable Use Agreement with my child and that they will receive online safety education to help them understand the importance of the safe use of technology and the internet – both in and out of school.

I understand that the school will take every reasonable precaution, including monitoring and filtering systems, to ensure that young people will be safe when they use the internet and school systems. I also understand that the school cannot ultimately be held responsible for the nature and content of materials accessed on the internet and whilst using mobile technologies.

I understand that my child's activity on the systems will be monitored and that the school will contact me if they have concerns about any possible breaches of the Acceptable Use Policy.

I will encourage my child to adopt safe use of the internet and digital technologies at all times and ensure they are **only playing age appropriate games** at home, and using age appropriate sites such as You Tube for Kids. I will inform the school if I have any concerns over my child's online safety.

I have read and discussed this agreement with my child and give permission for my child to have access to the internet and ICT systems at school and undertake to help keep them safe at home when using Digital Technologies.