Pensans CP School

On Line Safety Policy

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Pensans Primary School
On-line Safety Policy 2016

Pensans School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

ICT in the 21st Century is seen as an essential resource to support learning and teaching, as well as playing an important role in the everyday lives of children, young people and adults. Consequently, at Pensans we need to build in the use of these technologies in order to arm our young people with the skills to access life-long learning and employment.

 On-line safety involves pupils, staff, governors and parents making best use of technology, information, training and this policy to create and maintain a safe online and ICT environment for Pensans School.

Our On-Line Safety Policy has been written following government guidance. It has been agreed by senior management and approved by governors.

The school's On-Line Safety Governor is Graham Mills and our Safeguarding Officer is Sarah Hawken and Chrissy Simpson and Katie Mungles are our On line Safety Coordinators. The On-Line Safety Policy and its implementation shall be reviewed annually.
It will be reviewed in the Autumn term 2019 as part of our safeguarding review

Roles and Responsibilities
Governors:
Governors are responsible for the approval of the On-Line Safety Policy and for reviewing the effectiveness of the policy. The role of the On-Line Safety Governor will include:

•   Regular meetings with the On-Line Safety Committee.
•   Regular monitoring of On-Line Safety incident logs.
•   Reporting to the Behaviour & Safety Committee.

Headteacher and Senior Leadership Team:
The Headteacher is responsible for ensuring the safety (including on-line safety) of members of the school community, though the day-to-day responsibility for on-line safety will be delegated to the On-line Safety Coordinator.
The Headteacher/Senior Leaders are responsible for ensuring that the On-Line Safety Coordinator and other relevant staff receive suitable CPD to enable them to carry out their On-Line Safety roles and to train other colleagues, as relevant.
The Headteacher/Senior Leaders will ensure that there is a system in place to allow for monitoring and support of those in school who carry out the internal On-Line Safety monitoring role. This is to provide a safety net and also support to those colleagues who take on important monitoring roles.
The Headteacher and Assistant Head should be aware of the procedures to be followed in the event of a serious On-Line Safety allegation being made against a member of staff.

The On-Line Safety Coordinator:
•   Takes day-to day-responsibility for On-Line Safety issues and has a leading role in establishing and reviewing the school On-Line Safety policy/documents.
•   Ensures that all staff are aware of the procedures that need to be followed in the event of an On-Line Safety incident taking place.
•   Provides training and advice for staff.
•   Liaises with school ICT technical staff.
•   Receives reports of On-Line Safety incidents and creates a log of incidents to inform future On-Line Safety developments.

All staff, including non-classroom based staff, will receive regular training and updates regarding on line safety, cyber-bulling, sexting, Child Exploitation and Radicalisation, including face to face and online training sessions as appropriate to ensure that they are aware of the latest developments. They will all be aware of the flow chart of procedures to follow in the case of an online safety incident.

Teaching and Learning
The Internet is an essential element for education, business and social interaction. Internet use is a part of the statutory curriculum and a necessary tool for staff and pupils, and so the school has a duty to provide pupils with quality Internet access as part of their learning experience:

The school Internet access will be designed expressly for pupil use, including appropriate content filtering. Pupils will be given clear objectives for Internet use and taught what use is acceptable and what is not. Pupils will be educated in the effective use of the Internet in research, including the skills of knowledge location, retrieval and evaluation.
As part of the 2014 Computing curriculum, all year groups have digital literacy units within the iCompute Scheme of Work that focus on different elements of staying safe on line. These units include topics from how to use a search engine, digital footprints and cyber bullying.
Children also receive a discreet series of lessons in the Autumn term to address On-Line Safety, including cyber-bulling, sexting, Child Exploitation and Radicalisation delivered in a way that is appropriate to each year group. The school currently uses the 'Know-it All' and 'Think You Know' Scheme of Work.

The school will ensure that the use of Internet derived materials by staff and pupils complies with copyright law.

Through ICT we ensure that the school meets the needs of all, taking account of gender, ethnicity, culture, religion, language, sexual orientation, age, ability, disability and social circumstances. It is important that in this school we meet the diverse needs of pupils to ensure inclusion for all and that all pupils are prepared for full participation in a multi-ethnic society. We also measure and assess the impact regularly through meetings our SEN co-ordinator and individual teachers to ensure all children have equal access to succeeding in this subject.

Pupils are taught in all lessons to be critically aware of the materials/content they access on-line and are guided to validate the accuracy of information

Authorised Internet Access
By explicitly authorising use of the school's Internet access pupils, staff, governors and parents are provided with information relating to On-Line Safety and agree to its use:

All staff must read and sign the 'Acceptable ICT Use Agreement' before using any school ICT resource. Parents will be informed that pupils will be provided with supervised Internet access and asked to sign and return a consent form for pupil access.
Only authorised equipment, software and Internet access can be used within the school.

World Wide Web
The Internet opens up new opportunities and is becoming an essential part of the everyday world for children: learning, homework, sharing are some of the legitimate and beneficial uses. However, there are inappropriate and undesirable elements that must be managed:
If staff or pupils discover unsuitable sites, the URL (address), time and content shall be reported to the teacher who will then report to the Headteacher, by recording the incident in an On-Line Safety Log, which will be stored in the Classroom. Staff will follow the procedures detailed in the Appendix with regard to reporting incidences of a serious

nature. The On-Line Safety Logs will be reviewed monthly by the On-Line Safety Co-ordinator.

The school will work in partnership with NCI, the provider of the school's filtering system to ensure that these are as effective as possible at all times. This will be reviewed annually.

E-mail

E-mail is a quick and easy method of communication, ensuring beneficial and appropriate usage is an important part of On-Line Safety:

Pupils may only use approved e-mail accounts on the school system.

Pupils must immediately tell a teacher if they receive offensive e-mail.

Pupils must not reveal personal details of themselves or others in e-mail communication, or arrange to meet anyone without specific permission.

Whole class or group e-mail addresses should be used in school rather than individual addresses.

Access in school to external personal e-mail accounts is not allowed.

E-mail sent to external organisations should be written carefully and authorised by the teacher in charge before sending.

All official communications which are work related must be sent by staff to and from their work email address as supplied by the school.

Chain letters, spam, advertising and all other emails from unknown sources will be deleted without opening or forwarding.

Security and passwords

Passwords should be changed regularly. The system will inform users when the password is to be changed. Pupils and staff should never share passwords and staff must never let pupils use a staff logon. Staff must always 'lock' their laptop if they are going to leave it unattended.

Social Networking

Social networking Internet sites (such as, MySpace, Facebook) provide facilities to chat and exchange information online. This online world is very different from the real one with the temptation to say and do things beyond usual face-to-face contact.

Use of social networking sites and newsgroups in the school, is not allowed and will be blocked/filtered.

Pupils will be advised never to give out personal details of any kind that may identify themselves, other pupils, their school or location. This will also include not using personal photographs and videos.

Pupils and parents will be advised that the use of social network spaces outside school is inappropriate for primary aged pupils.

Pupils will be encouraged to only interact with known friends, family and staff over the Internet and deny access to others.

Parents, pupils and staff will be advised of the dangers of discussing pupils, staff or the school on social networking sites. The governors will consider taking legal action, where appropriate, to protect pupils and staff against cyber bullying and defamatory comments.

Reporting

All breaches of the On-Line Safety policy need to be recorded ivy the headteacher and the governor for On-line Safety. The details of the user, date and incident should be reported.

Incidents which may lead to child protection issues need to be passed on to one of the Designated Child Protection Officers immediately – it is their responsibility to decide on appropriate action not the class teachers.

Incidents which are not child protection issues but may require intervention (e.g. cyberbullying) should be reported to the Phase Leader in the same day.

Allegations involving staff should be reported to the Headteachers. If the allegation is one of abuse then it should be handled according to the DFE document titled 'Dealing with allegations of abuse against teachers and other staff'. If necessary the local authority's LADO should be informed.

Evidence of incidents must be preserved and retained.

The curriculum will cover how pupils should report incidents (e.g. Ceop button, trusted adult, Childline)

Mobile Phones
Many new mobile phones have access to the Internet and picture and video messaging. Whilst these are the more advanced features, they present opportunities for unrestricted access to the Internet and sharing of images. There are risks of mobile bullying, or inappropriate contact.

Pupils by permission of the Headteacher can bring mobile phones onto the school site where it is seen by the school and parents as a safety/precautionary use. These are handed into the class teacher at 8:50 and collected at the end of the day.
The sending of abusive or inappropriate text messages is forbidden.
Staff should always use the school phone to contact parents.
Staff including students and visitors are not permitted to access or use their mobile phones within the classroom. All staff, visitors and volunteers should ensure that their phones are turned off and stored safely away during the teaching day.
Staff may use their mobile phones in the staffroom/one of the school offices.
Parents cannot use mobile phones on school trips to take pictures of the children

On trips staff mobiles are used for emergency only.

Digital/Video Cameras/Photographs
Pictures, videos and sound are not directly connected to the Internet but images are easily transferred.
Pupils will not use digital cameras or video equipment at school unless specifically authorised by staff.
Publishing of images, video and sound will follow the policy set out in this document under 'Publishing Content'.
Parents and carers are permitted to take photos/videos of their own children in school events. They are requested not to share photos/videos from school events on social networking sites if other pupils appear in the background.
One of the Headteachers or a nominee will inform parent(s)/guardian(s) and others present at school events that photographs/videos may be taken on the basis that they are for private retention and not for publication in any manner

Staff should always use a school camera or iPad to capture images and should not use their personal devices. The exception to this is where a camera has been logged by the On-Line Safety Coordinator and the serial number of the camera noted.
Photos taken by the school are subject to the Data Protection act.

Published Content and the School Website
The school website is a valuable source of information for parents and potential parents.
Contact details on the Website will be the school address, e-mail and telephone number. Staff and pupils' personal information will not be published.
The Headteacher or a nominee will take overall editorial responsibility and ensure that content is accurate and appropriate.
Photographs and videos that include pupils will be selected carefully and will not include children for whom permission to use their photo has not been granted.
Pupils' full names will not be used in association with photographs.
Consent from parents will be obtained before photographs of pupils are published on the school Website.

Work will only be published with the permission of the pupil.
Parents should only upload pictures of their own child/children onto social networking sites.
The Governing body may ban the use of photographic equipment by any parent who does not follow the school policy.

Information System Security
School ICT systems capacity and security will be reviewed regularly.
Virus protection will be installed and updated regularly.
Security strategies will be discussed and reviewed regularly by the Online Safety Committee and our filtering suppliers and those arrangements incorporated in to our agreement with them.

Protecting Personal Data
Personal data will be recorded, processed, transferred and made available according to the Data Protection Act 1998 and Freedom of Information Act

Assessing Risk
The school will take all reasonable precautions to prevent access to inappropriate material. However, due to the international scale and linked Internet content, it is not possible to guarantee that unsuitable material will never appear on a school computer. The school does not accept liability for the material accessed, or any consequences of Internet access. The school will audit ICT use to establish if the On-Line Safety policy is adequate and that the implementation of the On-Line Safety policy is appropriate.

Handling On-Line Safety Complaints
Complaints of Internet misuse will be dealt with by a senior member of staff.
Any complaint about staff misuse must be referred to one of the Headteachers.
Complaints of a child protection nature shall be dealt with in accordance with school child protection procedures.
Pupils and parents will be informed of the complaints procedure.
Discussions will be held with the community police officer to establish procedures for handling potentially illegal issues.

Communication of Policy
Pupils:
Rules for keeping safe on-line will be posted in all rooms with ICT equipment.
Pupils will be informed that Internet use will be monitored.
Pupils will be informed of the importance of being safe on social networking sites. This will be strongly reinforced across all year groups during ICT lessons and all year groups look at different areas of safety through the digital literacy lessons.

Staff:
All staff will be given the School On-Line Safety Policy and its importance explained.

Parents:
Parents' attention will be drawn to the School On-Line Safety Policy in newsletters and on the school Website.

Appendices

- Student / Pupil Acceptable Usage Policy
- Staff and Volunteers Acceptable Usage Policy
- Parents / Carers Acceptable Usage Policy Agreement
- School Filtering Policy
- School Password Security Policy
- School Personal Data Policy
- School E-Safety Charter
- Ideas for schools to consider
- Legislation
- Links to other organisations and documents
- Resources
- Glossary of terms

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Pupil Acceptable Use Policy Agreement

School Policy

New technologies have become integral to the lives of children and young people in today's society, both within schools and in their lives outside school. The internet and other digital information and communications technologies are powerful tools, which open up new opportunities for everyone. These technologies 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.

This Acceptable Use Policy is intended to ensure:
- that young people will be responsible users and stay safe while using the internet and other communications technologies for educational, personal and recreational use.
- that school ICT systems and users are protected from accidental or deliberate misuse that could put the security of the systems and users at risk.

The school will try to ensure that pupils will have good access to ICT to enhance their learning and will, in return, expect the pupils to agree to be responsible users.

Acceptable Use Policy Agreement

I understand that I must use school ICT systems in a responsible way, to ensure that there is no risk to my safety or to the safety and security of the ICT systems and other users.

For my own personal safety:
- I understand that the school will monitor my use of the ICT systems, email and other digital communications.
- I will treat my username and password like my toothbrush – I will not share it, nor will I try to use any other person's username and password.
- I will be aware of "stranger danger", when I am communicating on-line.
- I will not disclose or share personal information about myself or others when on-line.
- If I arrange to meet people off-line that I have communicated with on-line, I will do so in a public place and take an adult with me.
- I will immediately report any unpleasant or inappropriate material or messages or anything that makes me feel uncomfortable when I see it on-line.

I understand that everyone has equal rights to use technology as a resource and:
- I understand that the school ICT systems are primarily intended for educational use and that I will not use the systems for personal or recreational use unless I have permission to do so.
- I will not try (unless I have permission) to make large downloads or uploads that might take up internet capacity and prevent other users from being able to carry out their work.
- I will not use the school ICT systems for on-line gaming, on-line gambling, internet shopping, file sharing, or video broadcasting (eg YouTube), unless I have permission of a member of staff to do so.

I will act as I expect others to act toward me:
- I will respect others' work and property and will not access, copy, remove or otherwise alter any other user's files, without the owner's knowledge and permission.
- I will be polite and responsible when I communicate with others, I will not use strong, aggressive or inappropriate language and I appreciate that others may have different opinions.
- I will not take or distribute images of anyone without their permission.

I recognise that the school has a responsibility to maintain the security and integrity of the technology it offers me and to ensure the smooth running of the school:
- I will only use my personal hand held / external devices (USB devices etc) in school if I have permission. I understand that, if I do use my own devices in school, I will follow the rules set out in this agreement, in the same way as if I was using school equipment.
- I understand the risks and will not try to upload, download or access any materials which are illegal or inappropriate or may cause harm or distress to others, nor will I try to use any programmes or software that might allow me to bypass the filtering / security systems in place to prevent access to such materials.

Students / Pupils   Actions / Sanctions

Incidents:	Refer to class teacher	Head of Phase / other	Refer to Head teacher	Refer to Police	Refer to technical support staff for action re filtering / security etc	Inform parents / carers	Removal of network / internet access rights	Warning	Fu... sa... eg... de... n / ex... n
Deliberately accessing or trying to access material that could be considered illegal (see list in earlier section on unsuitable / inappropriate activities).		?	?	?					
Unauthorised use of non-educational sites during lessons	?	?			?		?	?	
Unauthorised use of mobile phone / digital camera / other handheld device	?	?				?		?	
Unauthorised use of social networking / instant messaging / personal email	?	?	?		?	?	?	?	
Unauthorised downloading or uploading of files	?	?	?		?				
Allowing others to access school network by sharing username and passwords	?	?			?		?	?	
Attempting to access or accessing the school network, using another student's / pupil's account	?	?			?		?	?	
Attempting to access or accessing the school network, using the account of a member of staff	?	?	?		?	?	?	?	
Corrupting or destroying the data of other users	?	?	?		?	?	?	?	
Sending an email, text or instant message that is regarded as offensive, harassment or of a bullying nature	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	
Continued infringements of the above, following previous warnings or sanctions	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	
Actions which could bring the school into disrepute or breach the integrity of the ethos of the school	?	?	?		?	?	?	?	
Using proxy sites or other means to subvert the school's filtering system	?	?	?		?	?	?	?	
Accidentally accessing offensive or pornographic material and failing to report the incident	?	?	?		?	?	?	?	
Deliberately accessing or trying to access offensive or pornographic material	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	
Receipt or transmission of material that infringes the copyright of another person or infringes the Data Protection Act	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	

- I will immediately report any damage or faults involving equipment or software, however this may have happened.
- I will not open any attachments to emails, unless I know and trust the person / organisation who sent the email, due to the risk of the attachment containing viruses or other harmful programmes.
- I will not install or attempt to install programmes of any type on a machine, or store programmes on a computer, nor will I try to alter computer settings.
- I will not use chat and social networking sites in school

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

- I should ensure that I have permission to use the original work of others in my own work
- Where work is protected by copyright, I will not try to download copies (including music and videos)

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- When I am using the internet to find information, I should 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 also has the right to take action 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 (examples would be cyber-bullying, use of images or personal information).
- I understand that if I fail to comply with this Acceptable Use Policy Agreement, I will be subject to disciplinary action. This may include loss of access to the school network / internet, detentions, suspensions, contact with parents and in the event of illegal activities involvement of the police.

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 ICT systems.

Student / Pupil Acceptable Use Agreement Form

This form relates to the student / pupil Acceptable Use Policy (AUP), to which it is attached. Please complete the sections below 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 ICT systems.

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

- I use the school ICT systems and equipment (both in and out of school)
- I use my own equipment in school (when allowed) eg mobile phones, PDAs, cameras etc
- I use my own equipment out of school in a way that is related to me being a member of this school eg communicating with other members of the school, accessing school email, VLE, website etc.

Name of Student / Pupil

Group / Class

Signed   Date

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This Acceptable Use Policy is intended to ensure:
• that staff and volunteers will be responsible users and stay safe while using the internet and other communications technologies for educational, personal and recreational use.
• that school ICT systems and users are protected from accidental or deliberate misuse that could put the security of the systems and users at risk.
• that staff are protected from potential risk in their use of ICT in their everyday work.

The school will try to ensure that staff and volunteers will have good access to ICT to enhance their work, to enhance learning opportunities for *students / pupils* learning and will, in return, expect staff and volunteers to agree to be responsible users.

Acceptable Use Policy Agreement

I understand that I must use school ICT systems in a responsible way, to ensure that there is no risk to my safety or to the safety and security of the ICT systems and other users. I recognise the value of the use of ICT for enhancing learning and will ensure that students / pupils receive opportunities to gain from the use of ICT. I will, where possible, educate the young people in my care in the safe use of ICT and embed e-safety in my work with young people.

For my professional and personal safety:
• I understand that the school will monitor my use of the ICT systems, email and other digital communications.
• I understand that the rules set out in this agreement also apply to use of school ICT systems (eg laptops, email, VLE etc) out of school.
• I understand that the school ICT systems are primarily intended for educational use and that I will only use the systems for personal or recreational use within the policies and rules set down by the school.
• I will not disclose my username or password to anyone else, nor will I try to use any other person's username and password.
• I will immediately report any illegal, inappropriate or harmful material or incident, I become aware of, to the appropriate person.

I will be professional in my communications and actions when using school ICT systems:
• I will not access, copy, remove or otherwise alter any other user's files, without their express permission.
• I will communicate with others in a professional manner, I will not use aggressive or inappropriate language and I appreciate that others may have different opinions.
• I will ensure that when I take and / or publish images of others I will do so with their permission and in accordance with the school's policy on the use of digital / video images. I will not use my personal equipment to record these images, unless I have permission to do so. Where these images are published (eg on the school website / VLE) it will not be possible to identify by name, or other personal information, those who are featured.
• I will only use chat and social networking sites in school in accordance with the school's policies.
• I will only communicate with students / pupils and parents / carers using official school systems. Any such communication will be professional in tone and manner.
• I will not engage in any on-line activity that may compromise my professional responsibilities.

The school and the local authority have the responsibility to provide safe and secure access to technologies and ensure the smooth running of the school:
• When I use my personal hand held / external devices (PDAs / laptops / mobile phones / USB devices etc) in school, I will follow the rules set out in this agreement, in the same way as if I was using school equipment. I will also follow any additional rules set by the school about

User Actions

Users shall not visit Internet sites, make, post, download, upload, data transfer, communicate or pass on, material, remarks, proposals or comments that contain or relate to:

	Acceptable	Acceptable at certain times	Acceptable for nominated users	Unacceptable	Unacceptable and illegal
child sexual abuse images					[?]
promotion or conduct of illegal acts, eg under the child protection, obscenity, computer misuse and fraud legislation					[?]
adult material that potentially breaches the Obscene Publications Act in the UK					[?]
criminally racist material in UK					[?]
pornography				[?]	
promotion of any kind of discrimination				[?]	
promotion of racial or religious hatred				[?]	
threatening behaviour, including promotion of physical violence or mental harm				[?]	
any other information which may be offensive to colleagues or breaches the integrity of the ethos of the school or brings the school into disrepute				[?]	
Using school systems to run a private business				[?]	
Use systems, applications, websites or other mechanisms that bypass the filtering or other safeguards employed by NCI and / or the school				[?]	
Uploading, downloading or transmitting commercial software or any copyrighted materials belonging to third parties, without the necessary licensing permissions				[?]	
Revealing or publicising confidential or proprietary information (eg financial / personal information, databases, computer / network access codes and passwords)				[?]	
Creating or propagating computer viruses or other harmful files				[?]	
Carrying out sustained or instantaneous high volume network traffic (downloading / uploading files) that causes network congestion and hinders others in their use of the internet				[?]	
On-line gaming (educational)			[?]		
On-line gaming (non educational)				[?]	
On-line gambling				[?]	
On-line shopping / commerce			[?]		
File sharing			[?]		
Use of social networking sites			[?]		
Use of video broadcasting eg Youtube			[?]		

such use. I will ensure that any such devices are protected by up to date anti-virus software and are free from viruses.

- I will not open any attachments to emails, unless the source is known and trusted, due to the risk of the attachment containing viruses or other harmful programmes.

- I will ensure that my data is regularly backed up, in accordance with relevant school policies.

- I will not try to upload, download or access any materials which are illegal (child sexual abuse images, criminally racist material, adult pornography covered by the Obscene Publications Act) or inappropriate or may cause harm or distress to others. I will not try to use any programmes or software that might allow me to bypass the filtering / security systems in place to prevent access to such materials.

- I will not try (unless I have permission) to make large downloads or uploads that might take up internet capacity and prevent other users from being able to carry out their work.

- I will not install or attempt to install programmes of any type on a machine, or store programmes on a computer, nor will I try to alter computer settings, unless this is allowed in school policies.

- I will not disable or cause any damage to school equipment, or the equipment belonging to others.

- I will only transport, hold, disclose or share personal information about myself or others, as outlined in the School / LA Personal Data Policy .

- Where personal data is transferred outside the secure school network, it must be encrypted.
- I understand that data protection policy requires that any staff or student / pupil data to which I have access, will be kept private and confidential, except when it is deemed necessary that I am required by law or by school policy to disclose such information to an appropriate authority.
- I will immediately report any damage or faults involving equipment or software, however this may have happened.

When using the internet in my professional capacity or for school sanctioned personal use:
- I will ensure that I have permission to use the original work of others in my own work
- Where work is protected by copyright, I will not download or distribute copies (including music and videos).

I understand that I am responsible for my actions in and out of school:
- I understand that this Acceptable Use Policy applies not only to my work and use of school ICT equipment in school, but also applies to my use of school ICT systems and equipment out of school and my use of personal equipment in school or in situations related to my employment by the school.
- I understand that if I fail to comply with this Acceptable Use Policy Agreement, I could be subject to disciplinary action. This could include a warning, a suspension, referral to Governors and / or the Local Authority and in the event of illegal activities the involvement of the police.

I have read and understand the above and agree to use the school ICT systems (both in and out of school) and my own devices (in school and when carrying out communications related to the school) within these guidelines.

Staff / Volunteer Name

Signed

Date

Pensans Community Primary School

Parent / Carer Acceptable Use Policy Agreement

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- that school ICT systems and users are protected from accidental or deliberate misuse that could put the security of the systems and users at risk.
- that parents and carers are aware of the importance of e-safety and are involved in the education and guidance of young people with regard to their on-line behaviour.

The school will try to ensure that *students / pupils* will have good access to ICT to enhance their learning and will, in return, expect the *students / pupils* to agree to be responsible users. A copy of the Student / Pupil Acceptable Use Policy is attached to this permission form, so that parents / carers will be aware of the school expectations of the young people in their care.

Parents are requested to sign the permission form below to show their support of the school in this important aspect of the school's work.

Permission Form

Parent / Carers Name

Pupil Name

As the parent / carer of the above *pupils*, I give permission for my son / daughter to have access to the internet and to ICT systems at school.

I know that my son / daughter has signed an Acceptable Use Agreement and has received, or will receive, e-safety education to help them understand the importance of safe use of ICT – 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 ICT systems. I also understand that the school cannot ultimately be held responsible for the nature and content of materials accessed on the internet and using mobile technologies.

I understand that my son's / daughter's activity on the ICT 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 home and will inform the school if I have concerns over my child's e-safety.

Signed   Date

Pensans Community Primary School

Use of Digital / Video Images

The use of digital / video images plays an important part in learning activities. Students / Pupils and members of staff may use digital cameras to record evidence of activities in lessons and out of school. These images may then be used in presentations in subsequent lessons.

Images may also be used to celebrate success through their publication in newsletters, on the school website and occasionally in the public media,

The school will comply with the Data Protection Act and request parents / carers permission before taking images of members of the school. We will also ensure that when images are published that the young people can not be identified by the use of their names.

Parents are requested to sign the permission form below to allow the school to take and use images of their children.

Permission Form

Parent / Carers Name

Student / Pupil Name

As the parent / carer of the above *student* I agree to the school taking and using digital / video images of my child / children. I understand that the images will only be used to support learning activities or in publicity that reasonably celebrates success and promotes the work of the school.

I agree that if I take digital or video images at, or of, – school events which include images of children, other than my own, I will abide by these guidelines in my use of these images.

Signed   Date

Student / Pupil Acceptable Use Agreement

On the following pages we have copied, for the information of parents and carers, the Student / Pupil Acceptable Use Agreement.

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School Filtering Policy

Introduction

The filtering of internet content provides an important means of preventing users from accessing material that is illegal or is inappropriate in an educational context. The filtering system cannot, however, provide a 100% guarantee that it will do so. It is therefore important that the school has a filtering policy to manage the associated risks and to provide preventative measures which are relevant to the situation in this school.

Responsibilities

The responsibility for the management of the school's filtering policy will be held by the E-safety/ ICT Co-ordinator. They will manage the school filtering, in line with this policy and will keep records / logs of changes and of breaches of the filtering systems.

To ensure that there is a system of checks and balances and to protect those responsible, changes to the NCI provided school filtering service must

• be logged in change control logs

• be reported to a second responsible person - Angela Clay

• be reported to the E-Safety Committee every term in the form of an audit of the change control logs

All users have a responsibility to report immediately to ICT Co-ordinator or Angela Clay any infringements of the school's filtering policy of which they become aware or any sites that are accessed, which they believe should have been filtered.

Users must not attempt to use any programmes or software that might allow them to bypass the filtering / security systems in place to prevent access to such materials.

Education / Training / Awareness

Pupils will be made aware of the importance of filtering systems through the e-safety education programme. They will also be warned of the consequences of attempting to subvert the filtering system.

Staff users will be made aware of the filtering systems through:
• *signing the AUP*
• *induction training*
• *staff meetings, briefings, Inset.*

Parents will be informed of the school's filtering policy through the Acceptable Use agreement and through e-safety awareness sessions / newsletter etc.

Changes to the Filtering System

Users who gain access to, or have knowledge of others being able to access, sites which they feel should be filtered (or unfiltered) should report this in the first instance to the ICT Co-ordinator/E-Safety who will decide whether to make school level changes (as above). If it is felt that the site should be filtered (or unfiltered) at a higher level, the responsible person should email NCI Ltd with the URL.

Monitoring

No filtering system can guarantee 100% protection against access to unsuitable sites. The school will therefore monitor the activities of users on the school network and on school equipment as indicated in the School E-Safety Policy and the Acceptable Use agreement. Monitoring will take place as follows:

Audit / Reporting

Logs of filtering change controls and of filtering incidents will be made available to:
• the second responsible person (Angela Clay)
• E-Safety Committee
• E-Safety Governor

Staff   Actions / Sanctions

Incidents:	Refer to line manager	Refer to Headteacher	Refer to Local Authority / HR	Refer to Police	Refer to Technical Support Staff for action re filtering etc	Warning	Suspension	Disciplinary action
Deliberately accessing or trying to access material that could be considered illegal (see list in earlier section on unsuitable / inappropriate activities).		?	?	?				
Excessive or inappropriate personal use of the internet / social networking sites / instant messaging / personal email	?	?			?	?	?	?
Unauthorised downloading or uploading of files	?	?			?	?	?	?
Allowing others to access school network by sharing username and passwords or attempting to access or accessing the school network, using another person's account	?	?			?	?	?	?
Careless use of personal data eg holding or transferring data in an insecure manner	?	?	?		?	?	?	?
Deliberate actions to breach data protection or network security rules	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Corrupting or destroying the data of other users or causing deliberate damage to hardware or software	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Sending an email, text or instant message that is regarded as offensive, harassment or of a bullying nature	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Using personal email / social networking / instant messaging / text messaging to carrying out digital communications with students / pupils	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Actions which could compromise the staff member's professional standing	?	?	?		?	?	?	?
Actions which could bring the school into disrepute or breach the integrity of the ethos of the school	?	?	?		?	?	?	?
Using proxy sites or other means to subvert the school's filtering system	?	?			?	?		
Accidentally accessing offensive or pornographic material and failing to report the incident	?	?	?		?	?		
Deliberately accessing or trying to access offensive or pornographic material	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Breaching copyright or licensing regulations	?	?			?	?		
Continued infringements of the above, following previous warnings or sanctions	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?

- Local Authority on request

The filtering policy will be reviewed in the response to the evidence provided by the audit logs of the suitability of the current provision.

School Password Security Policy

Introduction

The school will be responsible for ensuring that the *school infrastructure / network* is as safe and secure as is reasonably possible and that:

- users can only access data to which they have right of access
- no user should be able to access another's files, without permission (or as allowed for monitoring purposes within the school's policies).
- access to personal data is securely controlled in line with the school's personal data policy
- logs are maintained of access by users and of their actions while users of the system

A safe and secure username / password system is essential if the above is to be established and will apply to all school ICT systems, including email and Virtual Learning Environment (VLE).

Responsibilities

The management of the password security policy will be the responsibility of E-Safety/ICT Co-ordinator

All users (adults and young people) will have responsibility for the security of their username and password, must not allow other users to access the systems using their log on details and must immediately report any suspicion or evidence that there has been a breach of security.

Passwords for new users, and replacement passwords for existing users can be allocated by E-Safety/ICT Co-ordinator.

Training / Awareness

Members of staff will be made aware of the school's password policy:

- at induction
- through the school's e-safety policy and password security policy
- through the Acceptable Use Agreement

Pupils / students will be made aware of the school's password policy:

- in ICT and / or e-safety lessons (the school should describe how this will take place)
- through the Acceptable Use Agreement

Policy Statements

All users will have clearly defined access rights to school ICT systems. Details of the access rights available to groups of users will be recorded by the Network Manager (or other person) and will be reviewed, at least annually, by the E-Safety Committee (or other group).

All users (at KS1 and above) will be provided with a username and password by the ICT Co-ordinator who will keep an up to date record of users and their usernames.

The "master / administrator" passwords for the school ICT system, used by the Network Manager (or other person) must also be available to the Headteacher or other nominated senior leader and kept in a secure place (eg school safe). (Alternatively, where the system allows more than one "master / administrator" log-on, the Headteacher or other nominated senior leader should be allocated those master / administrator rights. A school should never allow one user to have sole administrator access).

Audit / Monitoring / Reporting / Review

The responsible person (E-Safety/ICT co-ordinaator) will ensure that full records are kept of:

- User Ids and requests for password changes
- User log-ons
- Security incidents related to this policy

In the event of a serious security incident, the police may request and will be allowed access to passwords used for encryption.

Local Authority Auditors also have the right of access to passwords for audit investigation purposes

User lists, IDs and other security related information must be given the highest security classification and stored in a secure manner.

These records will be reviewed by *the* E-Safety Committee at termly intervals.

This policy will be regularly reviewed termly in response to changes in guidance and evidence gained from the logs.

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School Personal Data Handling Policy

Introduction

Schools should do everything within their power to ensure the safety and security of any material of a personal or sensitive nature (Becta – Good Practice in information handling in schools – keeping data secure, safe and legal – Sept 2008).

It is the responsibility of all members of the school community to take care when handling, using or transferring personal data that it can not be accessed by anyone who does not:

- have permission to access that data
- need to have access to that data.

Any loss of personal data can have serious effects for individuals and / or institutions concerned, can bring the school into disrepute and may well result in disciplinary action and / or criminal prosecution. All transfer of data is subject to risk of loss or contamination.

Anyone who has access to personal data must know, understand and adhere to this policy, which brings together the legal requirements contained in relevant data legislation and relevant regulations and guidance from the Local Authority.

The Data Protection Act (1998) lays down a set of rules for processing of personal data (both structured manual records and digital records). It provides individuals (data subjects) with rights of access and security and requires users of data (data processors) to be open about how it is used and to follow "good information handling principles".

Policy Statements

The school will hold the minimum personal information necessary to enable it to perform its function and information will be erased once the need to hold it has passed.

Every effort will be made to ensure that information is accurate, up to date and that inaccuracies are corrected without unnecessary delay.

All personal data will be fairly obtained in accordance with the "Fair Processing Code" and lawfully processed in accordance with the "Conditions for Processing".

Personal Data

The school and individuals will have access to a wide range of personal information and data. The data may be held in digital format or on paper records. Personal data is defined as any combination of data items that identifies an individual and provides specific information about them, their families or circumstances. This will include:

- Personal information about members of the school community – including *pupils / students*, members of staff and parents and carers eg names, addresses, contact details, legal guardianship / contact details, health records, disciplinary records
- Curricular / academic data eg class lists, pupil / student progress records, reports, references
- Professional records eg employment history, taxation and national insurance records, appraisal records and references
- Any other information that might be disclosed by parents / carers or by other agencies working with families or staff members

Responsibilities

The school's Senior Risk Information Officer (SIRO) is the Headteacher.
They will keep up to date with current legislation and guidance and will:
- determine and take responsibility for the school's information risk policy and risk assessment
- appoint the Information Asset Owners (IAOs)

The school will identify Information Asset Owners (IAOs) for the various types of data being held (eg pupil / student information / staff information / assessment data etc). The IAOs will manage and address risks to the information and will understand :

• what information is held and for what purpose
• how information as been amended or added to over time
• who has access to protected data and why

The designated IAOs are

Angela Clay - Assessment Data (SIMS)

Tiffany Pope - Assessment Data (SIMS)

Jo Stoddern - SEN Data (SIMS)

Sally Allen - (SIMS)

Everyone in the school has the responsibility of handling protected or sensitive data in a safe and secure manner.

Governors are required to comply fully with this policy in the event that they have access to personal data, when engaged in their role as a Governor.

Registration
The school is registered as a Data Controller on the Data Protection Register held by the Information Commissioner.

Information to Parents / Carers – the "Fair Processing Notice"
Under the "Fair Processing" requirements in the Data Protection Act, the school will inform parents / carers of all pupils / students of the data they hold on the pupils / students, the purposes for which the data is held and the third parties (eg LA, DCSF, QCA, Connexions etc) to whom it may be passed. This fair processing notice will be passed to parents / carers through the Prospectus and School Website.

Training & awareness
All staff will receive data handling awareness / data protection training and will be made aware of their responsibilities, as described in this policy through:

• Induction training for new staff
• Staff meetings / briefings / Inset
• Day to day support and guidance from Information Asset Owners

Identification of data

The school will ensure that all school staff, contractors working for it, and delivery partners, comply with restrictions applying to the access to, handling and storage of data classified as Protect, Restricted or higher.

All documents (manual or digital) that contain protected data will be labelled clearly with the Impact Level shown in the header and the Release and Destruction classification in the footer:

Impact levels are as follows:

• IL1–Not Protectively Marked (IL1–NPM)
• IL2–Protect
• IL3–Restricted
• IL4–Confidential

Users must be aware that when data is aggregated the subsequent impact level may be higher than the individual impact levels of the original data.

Release and destruction markings will be shown in the footer as follows:

[Release]	[Parties]	[Restrictions]	[Encrypt, Securely delete or shred]
The authority descriptor	The individuals or organisations the information may be released to	Descriptor tailored to the specific individual	How the document should be destroyed
Examples:			
Senior Information Risk Owner	School use only	No internet access No photos	Securely delete or shred
Teacher	Mother only	No information to father ASBO	Securely delete or shred

Secure Storage of and access to data

The school will ensure that ICT systems are set up so that the existence of protected files is hidden from unauthorised users and that users will be assigned a clearance that will determine which files are accessible to them.

All users will be given secure user names and strong passwords which must be changed regularly . User names and passwords must never be shared.

Personal data may only be accessed on machines that are securely password protected. Any device that can be used to access data must be locked if left (even for very short periods) and set to auto lock if not used for five minutes.
All storage media must be stored in an appropriately secure and safe environment that avoids physical risk, loss or electronic degradation.

Personal data can only be stored on school equipment (this includes computers and portable storage media)
Private equipment (ie owned by the users) must not be used.
When personal data is stored on any portable computer system, USB stick or any other removable media:
• the data must be encrypted and password protected
• the device must be password protected (many memory sticks / cards and other mobile devices cannot be password protected)
• the device must offer approved virus and malware checking software
• the data must be securely deleted from the device, in line with school policy (below) once it has been transferred or its use is complete

The school has clear policy and procedures for the automatic backing up, accessing and restoring all data held on school systems, including off-site backups.

All paper based IL2-Protected and IL3-Restricted (or higher) material must be held in lockable storage.

The school recognises that under Section 7 of the Data Protection Act, data subjects have a number of rights in connection with their personal data, the main one being the right of access. Procedures are in place to deal with Subject Access Requests ie. a written request to see all or a part of the personal data held by the data controller in connection with the data subject. Data subjects have the right to know: if the data controller holds personal data about them; a description of that data; the purpose for which the data is processed; the sources of that data; to whom the data may be disclosed; and a copy of all the personal data that is held about them. Under certain circumstances the data subject can also exercise rights in connection with the rectification; blocking; erasure and destruction of data.

Secure transfer of data and access out of school

The school recognises that personal data may be accessed by users out of school, or transferred to the LA or other agencies. In these circumstances:

- Users may not remove or copy sensitive or personal data from the school or authorised premises without permission and unless the media is encrypted and password protected and is transported securely for storage in a secure location.
- Users must take particular care that computers or removable devices which contain personal data must not be accessed by other users (eg family members) when out of school.
- When data is required by an authorised user from outside the school premises (for example, by a teacher or student working from their home or a contractor) they must have secure remote access to the management information system (MIS) or learning platform.
- Users must protect all portable and mobile devices, including media, used to store and transmit personal information using approved encryption software.
- Particular care should be taken if data is taken or transferred to another country, particularly outside Europe, and advice should be taken from the local authority in this event.

Disposal of data

The school will comply with the requirements for the safe destruction of personal data when it is no longer required.

The disposal of protected data, in either paper or electronic form, must be conducted in a way that makes reconstruction highly unlikely. Electronic files must be securely overwritten, in accordance with government guidance (see further reading section for reference to the Cabinet Office guidance), and other media must be shredded, incinerated or otherwise disintegrated for data.

A Destruction Log should be kept of all data that is disposed of. The log should include the document ID, classification, date of destruction, method and authorisation.

Audit Logging / Reporting / Incident Handling

As required by the "Data Handling Procedures in Government" document, the activities of data users, in respect of electronically held personal information, will be logged and these logs will be monitored by responsible individuals.

The audit logs will be kept to provide evidence of accidental or deliberate security breaches – including loss of protected data or breaches of an acceptable use policy, for example. Specific security events should be archived and retained at evidential quality for seven years.

The school has a policy for reporting, managing and recovering from information risk incidents, which establishes:

- a "responsible person" for each incident
- a communications plan, including escalation procedures
- and results in a plan of action for rapid resolution and
- a plan of action of non-recurrence and further awareness raising.

All significant data protection incidents must be reported through the SIRO to the Information Commissioner's Office based upon the local incident handling policy and communication plan.

Further reading

Teachernet – Data processing and sharing -
http://www.teachernet.gov.uk/management/atoz/d/dataprocessing/

Office of the Information Commissioner website:
http://www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk

Office of the Information Commissioner – guidance notes: Access to pupil's information held by schools in England

Becta – Good Practice in information handling in schools – keeping data secure, safe and legal and it's four detailed appendices: (September 2008)

http://schools.becta.org.uk/upload-dir/downloads/information_handling.pdf

http://schools.becta.org.uk/upload-dir/downloads/information_handling_impact_levels.pdf

http://schools.becta.org.uk/upload-dir/downloads/data_encryption.pdf

http://schools.becta.org.uk/upload-dir/downloads/audit_logging.pdf

http://schools.becta.org.uk/upload-dir/downloads/remote_access.pdf

Cabinet Office – Data handing procedures in Government – a final report (June 2008)
http://www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/reports/data_handling.aspx

Online Safety – A School Charter for Action

Name of School - Pensans CP School

We are working with staff, pupils and parents / carers to create a school community which values the use of new technologies in enhancing learning, encourages responsible use of ICT, and follows agreed policies to minimise potential e-safety risks.

Our school community

Discusses, monitors and reviews our e-safety **policy** on a regular basis. Good practice suggests the policy should be reviewed annually or at most every two years.

Supports **staff** in the use of ICT as an essential tool for enhancing learning and in the embedding of e-safety across the whole school curriculum.

Ensures that **pupils** are aware, through e-safety education, of the potential e-safety risks associated with the use of ICT and mobile technologies, that all e-safety concerns will be dealt with sensitively and effectively; that pupils feel able and safe to report incidents; and that pupils abide by the school's e-safety policy.

Provides opportunities for **parents/carers** to receive e-safety education and information, to enable them to support their children in developing good e-safety behaviour. The school will report back to parents / carers regarding e-safety concerns. Parents/carers in turn work with the school to uphold the e-safety policy.

Seeks to learn from e-safety good practice elsewhere and utilises the support of **relevant organisations** when appropriate.

Chair of Governors

Headteacher

Pupil Representative

Legislation

Schools should be aware of the legislative framework under which this E-Safety Policy and guidance has been produced. It is important to note that in general terms an action that is illegal if committed offline is also illegal if committed online.

It is recommended that legal advice is sought in the advent of an e safety issue or situation.

Computer Misuse Act 1990

This Act makes it an offence to:

- Erase or amend data or programs without authority;
- Obtain unauthorised access to a computer;
- "Eavesdrop" on a computer;
- Make unauthorised use of computer time or facilities;
- Maliciously corrupt or erase data or programs;
- Deny access to authorised users.

Data Protection Act 1998

This protects the rights and privacy of individual's data. To comply with the law, information about individuals must be collected and used fairly, stored safely and securely and not disclosed to any third party unlawfully. The Act states that person data must be:

- Fairly and lawfully processed.
- Processed for limited purposes.
- Adequate, relevant and not excessive.
- Accurate.
- Not kept longer than necessary.
- Processed in accordance with the data subject's rights.
- Secure.
- Not transferred to other countries without adequate protection.

Freedom of Information Act 2000

The Freedom of Information Act gives individuals the right to request information held by public authorities. All public authorities and companies wholly owned by public authorities have obligations under the Freedom of Information Act. When responding to requests, they have to follow a number of set procedures.

Communications Act 2003

Sending by means of the Internet a message or other matter that is grossly offensive or of an indecent, obscene or menacing character; or sending a false message by means of or persistently making use of the Internet for the purpose of causing annoyance, inconvenience or needless anxiety is guilty of an offence liable, on conviction, to imprisonment. This wording is important because an offence is complete as soon as the message has been sent: there is no need to prove any intent or purpose.

Malicious Communications Act 1988

It is an offence to send an indecent, offensive, or threatening letter, electronic communication or other article to another person.

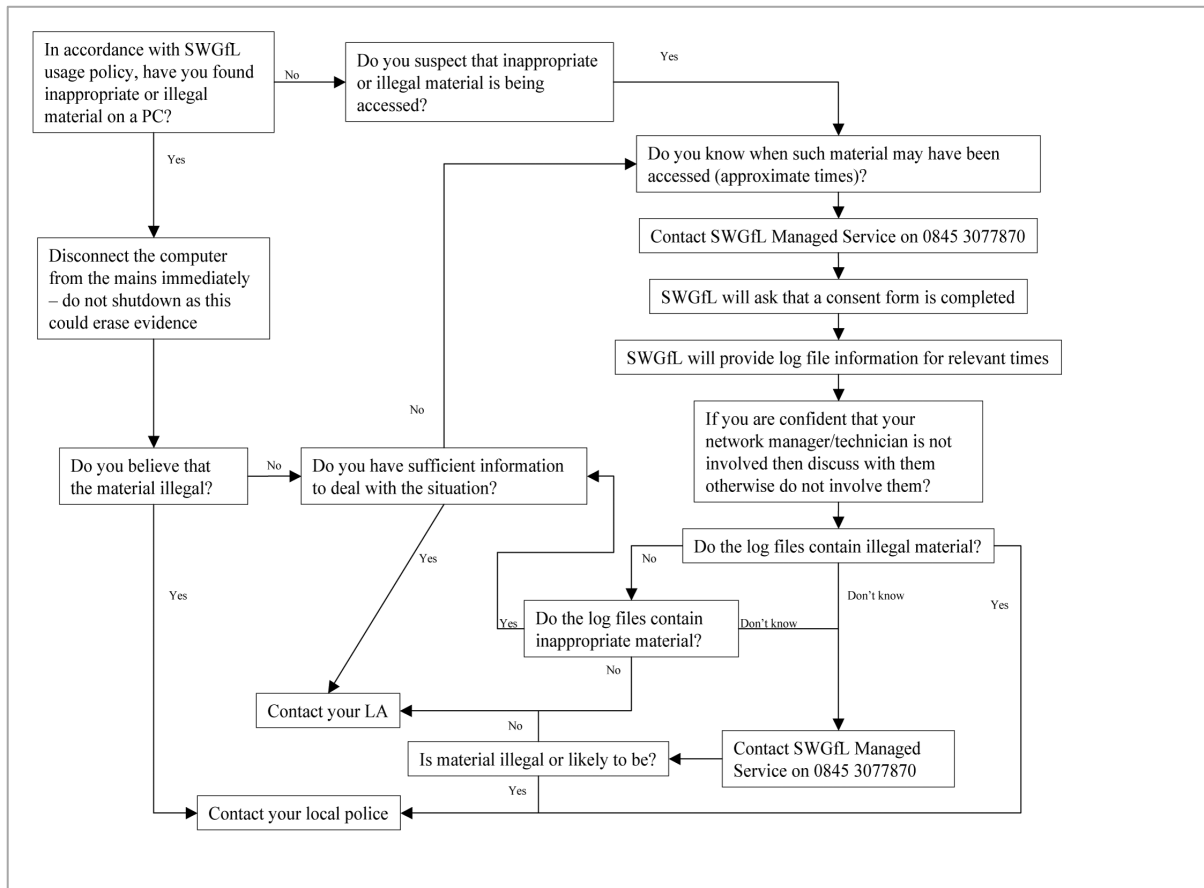## Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000

It is an offence for any person to intentionally and without lawful authority intercept any communication. Monitoring or keeping a record of any form of electronic communications is permitted, in order to:

- Establish the facts;
- Ascertain compliance with regulatory or self-regulatory practices or procedures;
- Demonstrate standards, which are or ought to be achieved by persons using the system;
- Investigate or detect unauthorised use of the communications system;
- Prevent or detect crime or in the interests of national security;
- Ensure the effective operation of the system.
- Monitoring but not recording is also permissible in order to:

- Ascertain whether the communication is business or personal;
- Protect or support help line staff.
- The school reserves the right to monitor its systems and communications in line with its rights under this act.

Trade Marks Act 1994

This provides protection for Registered Trade Marks, which can be any symbol (words, shapes or images) that are associated with a particular set of goods or services. Registered Trade Marks

In accordance with SWGfL usage policy, have you found inappropriate or illegal material on a PC? — No → Do you suspect that inappropriate or illegal material is being accessed? — Yes →

Do you know when such material may have been accessed (approximate times)?

Contact SWGfL Managed Service on 0845 3077870

SWGfL will ask that a consent form is completed

SWGfL will provide log file information for relevant times

If you are confident that your network manager/technician is not involved then discuss with them otherwise do not involve them?

Do the log files contain illegal material?

Yes ↓ (from first box)

Disconnect the computer from the mains immediately – do not shutdown as this could erase evidence

Do you believe that the material illegal? — No → Do you have sufficient information to deal with the situation?

No

Yes

Do the log files contain inappropriate material?

Don't know

Yes — Contact your LA

No → Is material illegal or likely to be? ← Don't know — Contact SWGfL Managed Service on 0845 3077870

Yes → Contact your local police

must not be used without permission. This can also arise from using a Mark that is confusingly similar to an existing Mark.

Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988

It is an offence to copy all, or a substantial part of a copyright work. There are, however, certain limited user permissions, such as fair dealing, which means under certain circumstances permission is not needed to copy small amounts for non-commercial research or private study. The Act also provides for Moral Rights, whereby authors can sue if their name is not included in a work they wrote, or if the work has been amended in such a way as to impugn their reputation. Copyright covers materials in print and electronic form, and includes words, images, and sounds, moving images, TV broadcasts and other media (e.g. youtube).

Telecommunications Act 1984

It is an offence to send a message or other matter that is grossly offensive or of an indecent, obscene or menacing character. It is also an offence to send a message that is intended to cause annoyance, inconvenience or needless anxiety to another that the sender knows to be false.

Criminal Justice & Public Order Act 1994

This defines a criminal offence of intentional harassment, which covers all forms of harassment, including sexual. A person is guilty of an offence if, with intent to cause a person harassment, alarm or distress, they: -

- Use threatening, abusive or insulting words or behaviour, or disorderly behaviour; or
- Display any writing, sign or other visible representation, which is threatening, abusive or insulting, thereby causing that or another person harassment, alarm or distress.

Racial and Religious Hatred Act 2006

This Act makes it a criminal offence to threaten people because of their faith, or to stir up religious hatred by displaying, publishing or distributing written material which is threatening. Other laws already protect people from threats based on their race, nationality or ethnic background.

Protection from Harrassment Act 1997

A person must not pursue a course of conduct, which amounts to harassment of another, and which he knows or ought to know amounts to harassment of the other. A person whose course of conduct causes another to fear, on at least two occasions, that violence will be used against him is guilty of an offence if he knows or ought to know that his course of conduct will cause the other so to fear on each of those occasions.

Protection of Children Act 1978

It is an offence to take, permit to be taken, make, possess, show, distribute or advertise indecent images of children in the United Kingdom. A child for these purposes is a anyone under the age of 18. Viewing an indecent image of a child on your computer means that you have made a digital image. An image of a child also covers pseudo-photographs (digitally collated or otherwise). A person convicted of such an offence may face up to 10 years in prison

Sexual Offences Act 2003

The new grooming offence is committed if you are over 18 and have communicated with a child under 16 at least twice (including by phone or using the Internet) it is an offence to meet them or travel to meet them anywhere in the world with the intention of committing a sexual offence. Causing a child under 16 to watch a sexual act is illegal, including looking at images such as videos, photos or webcams, for your own gratification. It is also an offence for a person in a position of trust to engage in sexual activity with any person under 18, with whom they are in a position of trust. (Typically, teachers, social workers, health professionals, connexions staff fall in this category of trust). Any sexual intercourse with a child under the age of 13 commits the offence of rape.

Public Order Act 1986

This Act makes it a criminal offence to stir up racial hatred by displaying, publishing or distributing written material which is threatening. Like the Racial and Religious Hatred Act 2006 it also makes the possession of inflammatory material with a view of releasing it a criminal offence. Children, Families and Education Directorate page 38 April 2007.

Obscene Publications Act 1959 and 1964

Publishing an "obscene" article is a criminal offence. Publishing includes electronic transmission.

Human Rights Act 1998

This does not deal with any particular issue specifically or any discrete subject area within the law. It is a type of "higher law", affecting all other laws. In the school context, human rights to be aware of include:
• The right to a fair trial
• The right to respect for private and family life, home and correspondence
• Freedom of thought, conscience and religion
• Freedom of expression
• Freedom of assembly
• Prohibition of discrimination
• The right to education

These rights are not absolute. The school is obliged to respect these rights and freedoms, balancing them against those rights, duties and obligations, which arise from other relevant legislation.

The Education and Inspections Act 2006

Empowers Headteachers, to such extent as is reasonable, to regulate the behaviour of students / pupils when they are off the school site and empowers members of staff to impose disciplinary penalties for inappropriate behaviour.

Links to other organisations or documents

The following links may help those who are developing or reviewing a school e-safety policy.

SOUTH WEST GRID FOR LEARNING:
"SWGfL Safe" - **http://www.swgfl.org.uk/safety/default.asp**

Child Exploitation and Online Protection Centre (CEOP)
 http://www.ceop.gov.uk/

ThinkUKnow
http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/

CHILDNET
http://www.childnet-int.org/

INSAFE
http://www.saferinternet.org/ww/en/pub/insafe/index.htm

BYRON REVIEW ("Safer Children in a Digital World")
http://www.dcsf.gov.uk/byronreview/

Becta
Website e-safety section - http://schools.becta.org.uk/index.php?section=is

Developing whole school policies to support effective practice:
http://publications.becta.org.uk/display.cfm?resID=25934&page=1835

Signposts to safety: Teaching e-safety at Key Stages 1 and 2 and at Key Stages 3 and 4:
http://publications.becta.org.uk/display.cfm?resID=32422&page=1835

 "Safeguarding Children in a Digital World"
http://schools.becta.org.uk/index.php?section=is&catcode=ss_to_es_tl_rs_03&rid=13344

LONDON GRID FOR LEARNING
http://cms.lgfl.net/web/lgfl/365

KENT NGfL
http://www.kented.org.uk/ngfl/ict/safety.htm

NORTHERN GRID
http://www.northerngrid.org/ngflwebsite/esafety_server/home.asp

NATIONAL EDUCATION NETWORK
NEN E-Safety Audit Tool: http://www.nen.gov.uk/hot_topic/13/nen-e-safety-audit-tool.html

CYBER-BULLYING
DCSF - Cyberbullying guidance
http://publications.teachernet.gov.uk/default.aspx?
PageFunction=productdetails&PageMode=spectrum&ProductId=DCSF-00658-2007

Teachernet
http://www.teachernet.gov.uk/wholeschool/behaviour/tacklingbullying/cyberbullying/

Teachernet "Safe to Learn – embedding anti-bullying work in schools"
http://www.teachers.gov.uk/wholeschool/behaviour/tacklingbullying/safetolearn/

Anti-Bullying Network - http://www.antibullying.net/cyberbullying1.htm

Cyberbullying.org - http://www.cyberbullying.org/East Sussex Council – Cyberbullying - A Guide for Schools:
https://czone.eastsussex.gov.uk/supportingchildren/healthwelfare/bullying/Pages/
eastsussexandnationalguidance.aspx

References to other relevant anti-bullying organisations can be found in the appendix to the DCSF publication "Safe to Learn" (see above)

SOCIAL NETWORKING

Home Office Task Force - Social Networking Guidance -
http://police.homeoffice.gov.uk/operational-policing/crime-disorder/child-protection-
taskforce

Digizen – "Young People and Social Networking Services":
http://www.digizen.org.uk/socialnetworking/

Ofcom Report:
http://www.ofcom.org.uk/advice/media_literacy/medlitpub/medlitpubrss/socialnetworking/
summary/

MOBILE TECHNOLOGIES
"How mobile phones help learning in secondary schools":
http://partners.becta.org.uk/index.php?section=rh&catcode=_re_rp_02_a&rid=15482

Mobile phones and cameras:
http://schools.becta.org.uk/index.php?section=is&catcode=ss_to_es_pp_mob_03

DATA PROTECTION AND INFORMATION HANDLING

Information Commissioners Office - Data Protection:
http://www.ico.gov.uk/Home/what_we_cover/data_protection.aspx

BECTA - Data Protection:
http://schools.becta.org.uk/index.php?section=lv&catcode=ss_lv_saf_dp_03

PARENTS GUIDES TO NEW TECHNOLOGIES AND SOCIAL NETWORKING:
http://www.iab.ie/

Resources

SWGfL has produced a wide range of information leaflets and teaching resources, including films and video clips – for parents and school staff. A comprehensive list of these resources (and those available from other organisations) is available on the "SWGfL Safe" website: http://www.swgfl.org.uk/safety/safetyresources.asp?page=schoolst_resources&audienceid=3

BBC Chatguides: **http://www.bbc.co.uk/chatguide/index.shtml**

Kidsmart: **http://www.kidsmart.org.uk/default.aspx**

Know It All - **http://www.childnet-int.org/kia/**

Cybersmart - **http://www.cybersmartcurriculum.org/home/**

NCH - **http://www.stoptextbully.com/**

Chatdanger - **http://www.chatdanger.com/**

Internet Watch Foundation: **http://www.iwf.org.uk/media/literature.htm**

Digizen – cyber-bullying films: **http://www.digizen.org/cyberbullying/film.aspx**

London Grid for Learning: **http://cms.lgfl.net/web/lgfl/safety/resources**

College of Policing - radicalisation **ncalt.com/ Channel_General_Awareness/**

Glossary of terms

AUP	Acceptable Use Policy – see templates earlier in this document
Becta	British Educational Communications and Technology Agency (Government agency promoting the use of information and communications technology)
CEOP	Child Exploitation and Online Protection Centre (part of UK Police, dedicated to protecting children from sexual abuse, providers of the Think U Know programmes.
CPD	Continuous Professional Development
CYPS	Children and Young Peoples Services (in Local Authorities)
DCSF	Department for Children, Schools and Families
ECM	Every Child Matters
FOSI	Family Online Safety Institute
HSTF	Home Secretary's Task Force on Child Protection on the Internet
ICO	Information Commissioners Office
ICT	Information and Communications Technology
ICTMark	Quality standard for schools provided by Becta
INSET	In Service Education and Training
IP address	The label that identifies each computer to other computers using the IP (internet protocol)
ISP	Internet Service Provider
ISPA	Internet Service Providers' Association
IWF	Internet Watch Foundation
JANET	Provides the broadband backbone structure for Higher Education and for the National Education Network and RBCs.
KS1 ..	Key Stage 1 (2, 3, 4 or 5) – schools are structured within these multiple age groups eg KS3 = years 7 to 9 (age 11 to 14)
LA	Local Authority
LAN	Local Area Network
Learning Platform	A learning platform brings together hardware, software and supporting services to support teaching, learning, management and administration.
LSCB	Local Safeguarding Children Board
MIS	Management Information System
MLE	Managed Learning Environment
NEN	National Education Network – works with the Regional Broadband Consortia to provide the safe broadband provision to schools across Britain.
Ofcom	Office of Communications (Independent communications sector regulator)
Ofsted	Office for Standards in Education, Children's Services and Skills
PDA	Personal Digital Assistant (handheld device)
PHSE	Personal, Health and Social Education
RBC	Regional Broadband Consortia have been established to procure broadband connectivity for schools in England. There are 10 RBCs covering 139 of the 150 local authorities:
SEF	Self Evaluation Form – used by schools for self evaluation and reviewed by Ofsted prior to visiting schools for an inspection

SRF	Self Review Form – a tool used by schools to evaluate the quality of their ICT provision and judge their readiness for submission for the ICTMark
SWGfL	South West Grid for Learning – the Regional Broadband Consortium of SW Local Authorities – is the provider of broadband and other services for schools and other organisations in the SW
TUK	Think U Know – educational e-safety programmes for schools, young people and parents.
VLE	Virtual Learning Environment (a software system designed to support teaching and learning in an educational setting,
WAP	Wireless Application Protocol