

Nelmes Primary School regularly reviews and updates all Acceptable Use documents to ensure that they are consistent with the school Online Safety and Safeguarding Policies. We attempt to ensure that all students have good access to digital technologies to support their teaching and learning and we expect all our students to agree to be responsible users to help keep everyone safe and to be fair to others.

Parents Acceptable Use Agreement

Internet and IT: As the parent or legal guardian of the pupil(s) named below, I grant permission for the school to give my child access to:

- the Internet at school
- the school's chosen email system
- the school's online managed learning environment
- IT facilities and equipment at the school.

I accept that ultimately the school cannot be held responsible for the nature and content of materials accessed through the Internet and mobile technologies, but I understand that the school takes every reasonable precaution to keep pupils safe and to prevent pupils from accessing inappropriate materials.

Use of digital images, photography and video: I understand the school has a clear policy on "The use of digital images and video" and I support this.

I understand that the school will necessarily use photographs of my child or including them in video material to support learning activities.

I accept that the school may use photographs / video that includes my child in publicity that reasonably promotes the work of the school, and for no other purpose.

Social networking and media sites: I understand that the school has a clear policy on "The use of social networking and media sites" and I support this.

I will not take and then share online, photographs, videos etc., about other children (or staff) at school events, without permission.

I understand that the school takes any inappropriate behaviour seriously and will respond to observed or reported inappropriate or unsafe behaviour.

I will support the school by promoting safe and responsible use of the Internet, online services and digital technology at home. I will inform the school if I have any concerns.

The use of social networking and online media

This school asks its whole community to promote the 3 commons approach to online behaviour:

- **Common courtesy**
- **Common decency**
- **Common sense**

How do we show common courtesy online?

- We ask someone's permission before uploading photographs, videos or any other information about them online.
- We do not write or upload 'off-hand', hurtful, rude or derogatory comments and materials. To do so is disrespectful and may upset, distress, bully or harass.

How do we show common decency online?

- We do not post comments that can be considered as being **intimidating, racist, sexist, homophobic or defamatory. This is online-bullying** and may be harassment or libel.
- When such comments exist online, we do not forward such emails, tweets, videos, etc. By creating or forwarding such materials we are all liable under the law.

How do we show common sense online?

- We think before we click.
- We think before we upload comments, photographs and videos.
- We think before we download or forward any materials.
- We think carefully about what information we share with others online, and we check where it is saved and check our privacy settings.
- We make sure we understand changes in use of any web sites we use.
- We block harassing communications and report any abuse.

Any actions online that impact on the school and can potentially lower the school's (or someone in the school) reputation in some way or are deemed as being inappropriate will be responded to.

In the event that any member of staff, student or parent/carer is found to be posting libellous or inflammatory comments on Facebook or other social network sites, they will be reported to the appropriate 'report abuse' section of the network site.

(All social network sites have clear rules about the content which can be posted on the site and they provide robust mechanisms to report contact or activity which breaches this.)

In serious cases we will also consider legal options to deal with any such misuse.

The whole school community is reminded of the CEOP process for reporting abuse:

thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/