

**St. Marychurch C of E (VA) Primary and Nursery School**

INTERNET USE

Dear Parent/Carer ,



As part of our commitment to enhancing pupils learning experiences and as part of the Government directive for all children in England to have Internet access, our school is continuing to develop pupils ICT skills, including e-mail and we are increasingly asking children to use the Internet to support learning in all curriculum areas.

Our school Internet Service Provider operates a filtering system which restricts access to inappropriate materials. Whilst every endeavour is made to ensure the children don't access unsuitable sites (through teaching, supervision and the filtering system) the school cannot be held responsible for the nature or content of any materials accessed through the Internet.

Whilst, in school, we can take the measures stated above to alleviate some concern about children having access to undesirable sites, this is unlikely to be the case with your own Internet connections at home. Should you require further help with this please see the following website for advice:- [www.thinkuknow.co.uk](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk)

Please find attached a copy of the pupils Internet Use Agreement for you to keep - children have discussed the agreement in school. We ask you to read through the policy with your child and then **both sign the reply slip at the bottom of this letter and return it to school.** This will help us further develop a safe and improved use of ICT at our school.

From November 2008 children will not have access to the Internet until we have received a signed agreement.

Should you wish to discuss any aspect of Internet use please contact the school to arrange an appointment with Miss Harries or Mr Mantell.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Harries  
ICT Co-ordinator

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INTERNET USE AGREEMENT

PUPILS NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_

**I have discussed the Agreement with my child and give permission for Internet access on these terms.**

Signed..... Parent/Carer      Date.....

Signed..... Child      Date.....





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# Internet & Computer Use Agreement

We have computers and access to the Internet as an aid to our learning. We promise to keep these rules to help keep everyone safe and be fair to others.

- I will use all the school's ICT equipment with respect and care.
- I will only access aspects of the desktop I have been given permission to.
- I will only use programmes I have been shown I can use.
- I will not access other people's files.
- I will use the computers only for schoolwork and homework.
- I will only use USB memory sticks in school with permission and ensure any files have been appropriately virus checked.
- I will ask permission from a member of staff before using the Internet.
- I will only download material from the Internet with permission from a member of staff.
- I will only e-mail people I know or my teacher has approved.
- The messages I send will be polite and sensible.
- I will not give any personal details or arrange to meet someone unless my parent, carer or teacher has given permission.
- To help protect other pupils and myself, I will tell a teacher if I see anything I am unhappy with or I receive a message I do not like.
- I understand that the school can and will check my computer files and the Internet sites I visit.