



BRIDGE & PATRICXBOURNE C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

Acceptable Use of Technology (Pupils) Policy & Procedure

Our school vision is based upon Jesus' words: *"I am the vine, you are the branches. If you abide in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit."* (John 15:5) which speaks of how we live and grow together as a Christian community.

We provide opportunities for everyone to flourish and grow within the love of God. Guided by the teachings of Jesus, we cultivate creativity, excellence, and resilience, inspiring pupils and staff to develop their unique gifts and become the best versions of themselves. We aim to equip our diverse community to make a positive difference in the world.

Our core values of Service, Forgiveness, Trust, Generosity and Compassion were chosen to underpin this vision for our school.

Key Personnel

Headteacher/DSL: James Tibbles

Safeguarding Governor: Estella Last

Key Dates

Reviewed: July 2025

Next Review Date: July 2028

We want to ensure your needs are met. If you would like this document in any other format, please contact us: office@bridge.kent.sch.uk

Learner Acceptable Use of Technology Statements

EYFS and Key Stage 1

I understand that the Bridge & Patricxbourne CEP School Acceptable Use Policy will help keep me safe and happy online.

- I only use the internet when an adult is with me.
- I only click on links and buttons online when I know what they do.
- I keep my personal information and passwords safe.
- I only send messages online which are polite and friendly.
- I know the school can see what I am doing online when I use school computers and tablets, including when I am at home.
- I always tell an adult if something online makes me feel upset, unhappy, or worried.
- I can visit www.thinkuknow.co.uk to learn more about keeping safe online.
- I have read and talked about these rules with my parents/carers.

Shortened KS1 version (e.g. for use on posters)

- I only go online with a grown up
- I am kind online
- I keep information about me safe online
- I tell a grown up if something online makes me unhappy or worried

Key Stage 2 (7-11)

I understand that the school Acceptable Use Policy will help keep me safe and happy online at home and at school.

Safe

- I will behave online the same way as I behave in the classroom.
- I only send messages which are polite and friendly.
- I will only post pictures or videos on the internet if they are safe and appropriate, and if I have permission.
- I only talk with and open messages from people I know.
- I will only click on links if I know they are safe.
- I know that people I meet online may not always be who they say they are. If someone online suggests meeting up, I will immediately talk to an adult.

Learning

- I always ask permission from an adult before using the internet.
- I only use websites and search engines that my teacher has chosen.

- I use school devices for school work unless I have permission otherwise.
- If I need to learn online at home, I will follow the school remote learning AUP.

Trust

- I know that not everything or everyone online is honest or truthful.
- I will check content on other sources like other websites, books or with a trusted adult.
- I always credit the person or source that created any work, images, or text I use.

Responsible

- I keep my personal information safe and private online.
- I will keep my passwords safe and will not share them.
- I will not access or change other people's files or information.
- I will only change the settings on a device if a member of staff has allowed me to.

Understand


- I understand that the school internet filter is there to protect me, and I will not try to bypass it.
- I know that all school devices and systems are monitored to help keep me safe, including when I use them at home.
- I have read and talked about these rules with my parents/carers.
- I can visit www.thinkuknow.co.uk and www.childline.org.uk to learn more about being safe online.

Tell

- If I see anything online that I should not, or that makes me feel worried or upset, I will minimise the page and tell an adult straight away. If hector the dolphin is on the devices then I will click on hector and tell an adult straightaway.
- If I am aware of anyone being unsafe with technology, I will report it to a teacher.
- I know it is not my fault if I see or someone sends me something bad online. I always talk to an adult if I am not sure about something or if something happens online that makes me feel worried or frightened.


Shortened KS2 version (for use on posters)

- I ask a teacher about which websites I can use
- I will not assume information online is true
- I know there are laws that stop me copying online content
- I know I must only open online messages that are safe. If I am unsure, I will not open it without speaking to an adult first

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- I know that people online are strangers and they may not always be who they say they are
 - If someone online suggests meeting up, I will always talk to an adult straight away
 - I will not use technology to be unkind to people
 - I will keep information about me and my passwords private
 - I always talk to an adult if I see something which makes me feel worried

Parental Acceptable Use of Technology Policy Acknowledgment

1. I, with my child, have read and discussed Bridge & Patricxbourne CEP School learner acceptable use of technology policy (AUP) and understand that the AUP will help keep my child safe online.
2. I understand that the AUP applies to my child use of Bridge & Patricxbourne CEP School devices and systems on site and at home, and personal use where there are safeguarding and/or behaviour concerns.
3. I am aware that any use of school devices and systems may be monitored for safety and security reason to keep my child safe and to ensure policy compliance. This monitoring will be proportionate and will take place in accordance with data protection, privacy, and human rights legislation.
4. I am aware that the school technology policy states that my child cannot use personal device and mobile technology on site e.g. mobile phones, smart watches.
5. I understand that my child needs a safe and appropriate place to access remote learning if school is closed. I will ensure my child's access to remote learning is appropriately supervised. When accessing video learning, I will ensure they are an appropriate location (e.g. not in bed) and that they are suitably dressed.
6. I understand that the school will take every reasonable precaution, including implementing appropriate monitoring and filtering systems, to ensure my child is safe when they use school devices and systems. I understand that the school cannot ultimately be held responsible for the nature and content of materials accessed on the internet or if my child is using mobile technologies.
7. I with my child, am aware of the importance of safe online behaviour and will not deliberately upload or add any images, video, sounds or text that could upset, threaten the safety of or offend any member of the school community.
8. I understand that the school will contact me if they have concerns about any possible breaches of the AUP or have any concerns about my child's safety.
9. I will inform the school or other relevant organisations if I have concerns over my child's or other members of the school communities' safety online.
10. I know that my child will receive online safety education to help them understand the importance of safe use of technology and the internet – both in and out of school.

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11. I will support the school online safety approaches. I will use appropriate parental controls and will encourage my child to adopt safe use of the internet and other technology at home, as appropriate to their age and understanding