

*For use with staff or parents running or accessing official school social media accounts*

1. As part of the school's drive to encourage safe and appropriate behaviour in the use of today's technology, I will support the school's approach to Online safety. I am aware that Facebook is a public and global communication tool and that any content posted may reflect on the school, its reputation and services. I will not use the page / group to express any personal opinions or create, transmit, display, publish or forward any material that is likely to harass, cause offence, inconvenience or needless anxiety to any other person, or anything which could bring the school into disrepute.
2. I will not disclose information, make commitments or engage in activities on behalf of the school without authorisation from the school Online Safety Ambassador (Stephen King, Deputy Head teacher / Designated Safeguarding Lead) and / or the Head teacher. The head teacher retains the right to remove or approve content posted on behalf of the school.
3. I will ensure that any content posted abides by copyright and intellectual property rights, child protection legislation, privacy and data protection law and other relevant civil and criminal legislation.
4. I will follow the school's policy regarding confidentiality and data protection/use of images. This means I will ensure that the school has written permission from parents/carers before using images or videos which include any members of the school community. Any images of pupils will be taken on school equipment, by the school and in accordance with the school image policy. Images which include pupils will only be uploaded by the school. These will be for the sole purpose of inclusion on Facebook and will not be forwarded to any other person or organisation.
5. I will promote online safety in the use of Facebook and will help to develop a responsible attitude to safety online and to the content that is accessed or created. I will ensure that the communication has been appropriately risk assessed and approved by a member of senior leadership team / Designated Safeguarding Leads / Head teacher prior to use.
6. If appropriate, I will have set up the specific account / profile using a school provided email address to administrate the account / site / page and I will use a strong password to secure the account. Personal social networking accounts or email addresses are not to be used. The school Online Safety Ambassador (Deputy head teacher) will have full admin rights to the site / page / group.
7. Where it believes unauthorised and / or inappropriate use or unacceptable or inappropriate behaviour may be taking place, the school will exercise the right to ask for the content to be deleted or deactivated.
8. I will ensure that the content and channel is suitable for the audience and will be sensitive in the tone of language used and will ensure content is written in accessible plain English.
9. I will report any accidental access or receipt of inappropriate materials or inappropriate comments to the head teacher and/or Designated Safeguarding Lead urgently.
10. If, appropriate I will ensure that the site / page is moderated on a regular basis as agreed with the school Designated Safeguarding Lead.
11. I have read and understood the school Online safety policy which covers the requirements for safe ICT use, including using appropriate devices and the safe use of social media. I have ensured that the site has been suitably risk assessed and this use has been agreed by the head teacher.
12. If I have any queries or questions regarding safe and acceptable practise online I will raise them with the Online Safety Ambassador (Stephen King, Deputy Head teacher) or the Head teacher (Daniel Lewis).

I have read and understood and agree to comply with the School Social Networking Acceptable Use policy.

Signed:

Print Name:

Date:

Accepted by:

Print Name:

*This policy statement is part of the St. Nicholas school Online Safety Policy. It complies with the Kent Online (e-Safety) policy and is to be made available to all who have access to school computers or have use of the school network and / or internet systems.*