

School Year 2023/24 - Home-school internet use, media use in school and communication with school

Home-School Internet User Agreement 2023/24

To ensure that all pupils are safe online we have a set of rules for the use of this resource. Your child's teacher discusses these rules with your child. We encourage you to do the same at home. We thank you for helping to keep all our pupils safe on the internet.

Parents:

- ✓ I encourage my child to keep their password(s) private (but they may tell me).
- ✓ I tell a member of school staff if I think that someone else knows my child's password.
- ✓ I encourage my child to be responsible when working online.
- ✓ I encourage my child to act responsibly by telling school staff if they think that someone else has broken the rules.
- ✓ I encourage my child to check with me before using the internet at home.
- ✓ I ensure my child knows to tell me (at home) or staff (at school) if they see or read inappropriate material on the internet.
- ✓ I set parental controls, where available, to minimise the risk of my child accessing anything inappropriate online.
- ✓ I understand that if my child does not follow guidance, the incident will be dealt with in line with the school behaviour policy.
- ✓ I understand that by signing this agreement I am giving permission for my child to use the internet in school and to have access to the internet-based learning resources.

Pupils:

- ✓ I understand that the school will monitor my use of school computer systems.
- ✓ I follow my teachers' and my parents' instructions and guidance when using the internet and internet-based learning resources.
- ✓ I keep my password(s) secret.
- ✓ I tell a member of school staff if I think that someone else knows my password.
- ✓ I only login using my own username and password.
- ✓ I am responsible for everything that I write and upload online.
- ✓ I do not give out any personal information (such as my address or telephone number) online.
- ✓ I will not communicate with or meet people that I do not know.
- ✓ I check with my teachers or parents before going online. In school, I only use the internet when a teacher is there and only for school work.
- ✓ I will think carefully before sharing any photographs of myself or others.
- ✓ I will tell an adult straight away if I see anything on the internet that is inappropriate or that upsets me.
- ✓ I know that I should not bring my own electrical items to school.
- ✓ I know that this guidance applies in school and out of school and that any incident will be dealt with according to the school behaviour policy.

Media use in school

At times we use extracts from films and documentaries in the classroom to support learning. Many of these will be 'U' classified, but they can sometimes be classified as 'PG'. Extracts from 'PG' rated media are carefully chosen to ensure that they are appropriate for the audience in school. Content classified above a 'PG' rating will never be used. For further information about film media classification visit: <https://www.bbfc.co.uk/about-classification>

Communication with school

As a parent of a child at this school we ask that you:

- ✓ contact school and all members of staff within school through the appropriate school communication channels and treat everyone with respect and professionalism. Please avoid use of personal email and phone numbers for school matters.
- ✓ contact the school directly with any concerns you may have. Please do not use social media to criticise or make inappropriate comments about any aspect of the school.

Please use the SchoolPing portal to confirm your agreements, thank you.

A copy of this agreement is available on our school web-site: www.reethandgunnerside.org.uk