

# Blenheim High School

## Staff and Student Online Safety Policy



It is a school priority to provide facilities, new technologies and a learning environment to enable all students to achieve their potential now and in the future. The introduction of new technologies provides exciting opportunities to develop teaching and learning but also presents a range of challenges. The purpose of this policy is to ensure that the school has in place robust procedures and mechanisms to safeguard the welfare and security of both students and staff whilst enabling it to maximise the benefits new technologies bring to the education of students at the school.

This policy should be read in conjunction with the Management of Online Safety document and the Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy.

In order to maintain the safety and security of both students and staff the school will maintain the security of all information systems; robustly risk assess access to the internet and have in place controls and protocols for managing such access; develop comprehensive communications and training programmes for both staff and students and, where appropriate, for parents/carers; and ensure full consultation with parents/carers prior to the introduction or development of any new technology.

Staff will be required to sign an ICT Acceptable Use Agreement to underpin their professional use of ICT which is consistent with the school ethos and policies, and the law.

Students will be required to sign an ICT Acceptable Use Agreement on entry to the school, and an electronic copy termly thereafter, via the ICT network.

Students joining the iPads for Learning scheme are required to sign an iPads for Learning scheme Agreement form in addition.

At regular intervals Governors will review the impact of new technologies on teaching and learning within the school, including issues of safeguarding and security.

Detailed guidance on Online Safety is to be found in the Annex to this document. This will be published on the school website for the information of parents.

[Review policy initially after 12 months or prior to the introduction or significant development of any new technology.]