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Responsible ICT Use

Student Code

The computer system is owned by the school. This Responsible ICT Use statement helps to protect students, staff and the school by clearly stating what use of the computer resources is acceptable and what is not.

Students should not attempt to access the internet unless they are supervised.

Access to the computer network should only be via students' individual user name and password.

School computers are to be used within the law and the policies of the County Council, in particular copyright law must be respected and this issue will be raised in ICT lessons.

Students are not permitted to use the Internet for financial transactions or gambling.

Use of the Internet for recreation or personal interest is only with the express permission of staff (normally to be given at lunchtime or after school).

Access to chat rooms which are open to the public is not allowed.

The school does not take responsibility for the content of emails (web mail) sent by students.

Irresponsible use of the Internet or intention to compromise network security may lead to withdrawal of access.

Student disk space (including saved mail) is to be freely accessible to staff and may not be used to store any offensive or illegal material.

Students should be aware that

Internet access should be supervised, ICT staff are not to make their rooms available without supervision and students are not to seek entry to unsupervised rooms.

The school will take reasonable steps to keep the internet service filtered and students are to report any offensive material to staff.

The school may exercise its right to monitor the use of the school's computer systems, including access to websites, the interception of email and the deletion of inappropriate materials where it believes unauthorised use of the school's computer system is or may be taking place.

The school expects all students to abide by this code. Both students and parents or carers are asked to confirm this by returning the permission slip. If you have any questions or concerns please contact the school.