



Bowburn Primary School

Acceptable use of mobile phones and ICT policy for visitors and volunteers

As a visitor to the school I recognise that it is my responsibility to follow school online safety advice and that I have a responsibility to ask if I am not sure of a procedure.

This is not an exhaustive list and all visitors/volunteers are reminded that ICT use should be consistent with the school ethos, other appropriate policies and the Law.

- 1) I understand that Information Systems and ICT include not only the school's computers, but also any personally owned equipment such as a phone or tablet and its use on any social media such as Facebook, Twitter or Instagram etc
- 2) Mobile Phones. **The school has a duty to safeguard all of the pupils of the school as well as ensuring staff and visitors are also safe.**
 - a) Visitor mobile phones will never be used for any reason when children are present. Both staff and visitors will only use mobile phones when pupils are not present. Phones should preferably not be switched on or should be on silent during normal teaching hours.
 - b) Any visitor seen using a mobile phone in an area of the school where pupils are present, or where they may be nearby, will be asked to forfeit their phone to be stored in the office until they leave the premises.
 - c) Cameras on personal phones or tablets will NOT be used to take pictures of children in ANY circumstances.
- 3) Social Media.
 - a) Pupils and their families have a reasonable expectation of privacy so I confirm that I will not publish or share any information I have obtained whilst working in the school on any personal website, blog, social networking site or through any other means, including phone or text messaging unless I have written permission from the Headteacher.
 - b) I will not communicate with pupils or ex-pupils under the age of 18 using social media without the express written permission of the Headteacher
 - c) I will not give my personal contact details such as email address, mobile phone number, IM account details to any pupil or parent in the school. Contact will always be through a school approved route.
- 4) While in the school my use of ICT and information systems will always be compatible with the ethos of the school, and if I am any doubt I will check this with a member of staff. I will not use any portable storage device such as memory stick as this could introduce viruses to the school system for which I could be held accountable.

- 5) I understand that I have a duty of care to ensure that students in school use all forms of electronic equipment and devices safely and should report any inappropriate usage to a senior member of staff.

- 6) Visitors are requested not to contact a parent of a child directly, but to go through the school's official channels.

- 7) School owned information systems must be used appropriately. I understand that the Computer Misuse Act 1990 makes the following criminal offences: to gain unauthorised access to computer material; to gain unauthorised access to computer material with intent to commit or facilitate commission of further offences or to modify computer material without authorisation.

I understand that breaching any of these rules may result in my being asked to leave the premises and may result in further disciplinary or legal action.

Name.....

Signed.....

Date