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Internet Use for Pupils

Dear Parent/Guardian

Use of the Internet in school is a vital part of the education of your son/daughter. Our school makes extensive use of the Internet in order to enhance their learning and provide facilities for research, collaboration and communication.

You will be aware that the Internet is host to a great many illegal and inappropriate websites, and as such we will ensure as far as possible that your child is unable to access sites such as this. We are able to do this using advanced software known as an Internet filter. This filter categorises websites in accordance with their content and allows or denies these categories as appropriate. The software also allows us to monitor Internet use; the Internet filter keeps logs of which user has accessed what Internet sites, and when.

Security and safeguarding of your child are of the utmost importance in our school. In order to ensure that there have been no attempts of inappropriate Internet activity we may occasionally monitor these logs. If we believe there has been questionable activity involving your child we will inform you of the circumstances.

At the beginning of each school year we explain the importance of Internet filtering to your child. Furthermore, we explain that there has to be a balance of privacy and safety; we also inform them that we can monitor their activity.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact hscontact@halstow.compassps.uk

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Natasha Tilley', written in a cursive style.

Natasha Tilley
Head Teacher

Acceptable Use of Internet and Digital Technologies Pupil Agreement

Our Charter of Good Online Behaviour

I Promise – to only use the school ICT for schoolwork that the teacher has asked me to do.

I Promise – not to look for or show other people things that may be upsetting.

I Promise – to show respect for the work that other people have done.

I will not – use other people's work or pictures without permission to do so.

I will not – damage the ICT equipment, if I accidentally damage something I will tell my teacher.

I will not – share my password with anybody. If I forget my password I will let my teacher know.

I will not – use other people's usernames or passwords.

I will not – share personal information online with anyone.

I will not – download anything from the Internet unless my teacher has asked me to.

I will – let my teacher know if anybody asks me for personal information.

I will – let my teacher know if anybody says or does anything to me that is hurtful or upsets me.

I will – be respectful to everybody online ; I will treat everybody the way that I want to be treated.

I understand – that some people on the Internet are not who they say they are, and some people can be nasty. I will tell my teacher if I am ever concerned in school, or my parents if I am at home.

I understand – that my school will monitor the websites I visit.

I understand – if I break the rules in this charter there will be consequences of my actions and my parents will be told.