Burghfield Common Federation

Mrs Bland's Infant and Nursery School

and

Garland Junior School

E-Safety Policy

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E-SAFETY POLICY

Introduction and links with other policies

This policy links closely with the school's Internet Access policy and ICT and Acceptable Use Policy, and relates to other policies including those for Behaviour, P.S.H.E., and Child Protection and Safeguarding.

Purpose of the policy

We need to listen to, empower and support young people to understand and manage risks and make the digital world safer. However, we must acknowledge that we cannot make the internet completely safe.

Because of this, we must also build children's resilience to the material to which they may be exposed, help build their confidence. The school promotes online safety for all pupils and staff through its procedures by raising awareness of online risk and safety measures (E-safety).

This policy exists to set out the school's framework for e-safety.

The aim of Burghfield Common Federation's e-safety policy is to:

- Educate pupils about e-safety issues and appropriate behaviours so that they remain safe and legal online through awareness of such things as the potential risks of some websites, email, instant messaging, chat rooms, social media, mobile phones, blogs, podcasts, downloads and virtual learning platforms.
- Help pupils to develop the skills to reflect and enable them to keep themselves safe.
- Foster a collaborative approach to e-safety, with the involvement of parents and carers, keeping them informed of new and emerging e-safety risks, and involving them in strategies to keep pupils safe online.
- Keep up to date with the latest risks to children whilst using technology
- Liaise with IT technical support as required, to ensure the continuing safety of pupils
- Use our safeguarding software, to include incidents relating to e-safety, ensuring staff know what to report and that there is an appropriate audit trail.
- Make provision as appropriate for pupils with SEND, recognising that some pupils may have increased vulnerability to risk online.
- Ensure all staff are aware of school protocol governing the use of communication by mobile phone, email, social networking and internet messaging between staff and pupils both on and off school premises

Network and Device Management

See Internet Access Policy re steps taken to ensure safe and secure access to the internet in school.