

Hovingham and St Hilda's, Ampleforth Federation

Pupil Acceptable Use Policy

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The Hovingham and St Hilda's Ampleforth Federation is committed to...

The use of the internet to further our aims in a safe, secure and responsible environment

Equality Statement

At Hovingham and St Hilda's, Ampleforth Federation, we ensure that the culture and ethos are such that, whatever needs of members of the school community, everyone is equally valued and people treat one another with respect. Our schools provide pupils and staff with the opportunity to experience, understand and value diversity. In the operation of this policy, we will endeavour to ensure that all members of our school community receive equal treatment irrespective of their age, gender, race, colour, ethnic origin, family commitments, marital status, sexual orientation, disability or religious beliefs.

We love using the computer...

but there are rules we have to follow to make sure that we are using it safely and with consideration for other people.

The rules are:

You must...

- always log in and log off
- follow instructions and only search what and where you are told to
- let someone know immediately if you come across something on the internet that you are not happy with or don't feel comfortable with
- let someone know immediately if someone sends you a text message or e-mail that makes you feel uncomfortable
- only use the internet when a member of staff is present
- always use polite language on the computer
- always be careful with the equipment and use it sensibly

You must not...

- write anything unpleasant about anyone else on an e-mail, text message, on the computer, or through any kind of electronic communication (e.g. a blog)
- tell anyone your address, your telephone number or who you are
- tell anyone your username or password (except for the staff and your parents)
- try to connect to the school's wifi with personal devices
- play games on the internet in school, other than ones which staff have directed you to use (please don't Google games)
- attempt to download anything on school devices

A member of staff regularly checks to see that children are using computers as they should.

If you don't follow these rules... you might not be allowed to use the computers for a period of time or you might only be able to use them with more supervision.

We know our children love computers; help us make sure that we keep it that way for everyone.