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Dear Parent/Carer,   11th September 2017

Internet Use

The use of ICT including the Internet, e-mail, learning platforms and mobile technologies are integral elements of learning in our school. To make this as successful and as beneficial as possible for all learners, we expect all children to act safely and responsibly when using technology both within, and outside of, the school environment.

In school, we ensure that all resources used by the children are age appropriate and suggest that parents check the terms and conditions for the use of online resources and games to ensure that resources used at home are also age appropriate. This is particularly relevant when using Social Network Sites that incorporate age-restriction policies where the minimum acceptable age is 13 years. Any child who sets up or uses such a site and is below the acceptable age is in clear breach of the site's privacy policy and / or terms and conditions and therefore we actively discourage this in our school. During the course of our ICT use in school we teach children how to stay safe on the internet and in using other mobile technologies.

The enclosed ICT Acceptable Use Policy forms part of the wider School eSafety Policy and alongside the school's Behaviour and Safeguarding Policies outlines those principles we expect our children to uphold for the benefit of both themselves and the wider school community.

Your support in achieving these aims is essential and I would therefore ask that you please read and discuss the enclosed ICT Acceptable Use Policy with your child before returning the slip to school. Signing the School Acceptable Use Policy helps us to maintain responsible use of ICT and safeguard the children in school.

Safe use of the Internet in general is something the school is keen to promote. If you would like to find out more about eSafety for parents and carers, please visit the Lancsngfl eSafety website:
http://www.lancsngfl.ac.uk/esafety
If you have any concerns or would like to discuss any aspect of the use of ICT in school, please contact us.

Yours sincerely
D. Cross