



Hollinsclough C of E Academy

Student / Parent / Carer Acceptable Use Agreement Form: 2019

Mission Statement

To encourage high levels of achievement through the enthusiasm and joy of learning, coupled with a creative curriculum and a holistic approach to education that reflects Christian values and supports our community. We guarantee accessibility and availability to all.'

Developing potential

Preamble

Please note that this agreement must be signed by you if your child is to have access to any computer, tablet PC, iPad etc. used in the academy and that the school is permitted to install any protection or investigation software on to such items as it sees fit to protect your child and others, along with our reputation.

This also extends to personal Memory Sticks, Portable Hard-drives and other IT equipment that can be used in our academy or have access to our IT infrastructure.

Comment

New technologies have become integral to the lives of children and young people in today's society, both within the academy and in their lives beyond. The internet and other digital information and communications technologies are powerful tools, which open up new opportunities for everyone.

These technologies can stimulate discussion, promote creativity, and stimulate awareness of context to promote effective learning. Young people should have an entitlement to safe internet access at all times.

Our Acceptable Use Policy is intended to ensure;

- that young people will be responsible users and stay safe while using the internet and other communications technologies for educational, personal and recreational use
- that the academy IT systems and users are protected from accidental or deliberate misuse that could put the security of the systems and users at risk
- that parents and carers are aware of the importance of e-safety and are involved in the education and guidance of young people with regard to their online behaviour

The academy will try to ensure that pupils will have good access to IT to enhance their learning and will, in return, expect pupils to agree to be responsible users.

A copy of the Acceptable Use Policy is attached to this permission form so that parents/carers will be aware of the academy expectations of the young people in their care.

Parents are requested to sign the permission form below to show their support for the academy in this important aspect of its work.

Permission Form

Parent / Carers Name _____

Student / Pupil Name _____

As the parent/carers of the above student, I permit for my son/daughter to have access to the internet and the IT systems at Hollinsclough C of E Academy.

I know that my son/daughter has signed an Acceptable Use Agreement and has received, or will receive, e-safety education to help them understand the importance of safe use of IT – both in and out of school.

I understand that the academy will take reasonable precautions, including the use of monitoring and filtering systems, to ensure that young people will be safe when they use the internet and IT systems.

I also understand that the academy cannot ultimately be held responsible for the nature and content of materials accessed on the internet and using mobile technologies and circumventing methods that may be employed by my child.

I understand that my child's activity on the IT systems will be monitored and that the academy staff will contact me if they have concerns about any possible breaches of the Acceptable Use Policy and that outside agencies may also be contacted if a serious breach occurs; i.e. PREVENT related, Sexual content etc.

I will encourage my child to adopt a stance that promotes the safe use of the internet and digital technologies at home, and I will inform a member of the school staff if I have concerns over my child's e-safety.

Signed _____

Date _____