



## **Children's Agreement:** **E-SAFETY RULES**

**All children wishing to access the internet on site are required to read and sign this document as a record of their acceptance and understanding of our internet safety rules.**

*As a pupil at Steeple Claydon School, I will...*

- Only use age appropriate websites and games and not give out any personal details to anyone.
- Understand that the information I need to keep private includes my full name, address, phone number, name of school and my email address.
- If I come across something upsetting, illegal or scary while I'm online, I will tell a member of staff.
- I know I should minimise my screen and put my hand up immediately if I see something I do not like online.
- I will follow the rules agreed with my class teacher using online resources at all times when going online at school.
- I will treat all of our school equipment with respect and handle it carefully, always returning it back to its correct place when I have finished with it.

### **Child:**

- I understand that these rules are in place for my own safety and the safety of everyone in school.
- I know that if I break these rules, I may not be allowed to access the internet at school.

### **Parent/Carer:**

- I have read and discussed the rules with my child and confirm that he/she has understood what they mean.
- I understand that if my child breaks these rules, they may not be allowed to access the internet using school equipment.
- I understand that filtered internet access will be provided on all of the devices at Steeple Claydon School and that children will be supervised whilst accessing the internet.
- I understand that occasionally, inappropriate materials may be accessed and accept that the school will endeavour to deal with any incident that may arise, according to policy.

## **Inappropriate use of Social Media:**

Nationally social media websites are being increasingly used to fuel complaints and campaigns against schools, school staff, Head Teachers and in some cases parents and children. Steeple Claydon School considers the use of social media in this way as unacceptable and not in the best interests of the children or the school community. Any concerns parents may have should be addressed using the appropriate channels by speaking initially to the class teacher, then the Head Teacher, or eventually to the Chair of

Governors, so that they can be dealt with fairly, appropriately and effectively for all concerned.

**In the event that any child, or parent of a child being educated at our school, is found to be posting libellous or defamatory comments on Facebook or other social media sites which are personal or would bring the school into disrepute, they will be reported to the 'report abuse' section of the network site. All social media networks have clear rules about the content that can be posted and provide robust mechanisms to report activity which breaches these. The school will also expect that the child or parent removes such comments immediately.**

Should any member of the school community use any social media site to publicly humiliate another this will be taken very seriously, and will be treated as an incidence of bullying behaviour which is not tolerated in our school.

In serious cases the school will consider its legal options to deal with any mis-use of social networking sites.