



## **ICT: Expectations for Pupils' Internet Access**

Pupils may only access the Internet and electronic mail when in the presence of a member of staff.

Pupils are responsible for good behaviour on the Internet just as they are in the classroom.

School staff may access any file held on any computer storage system or media that is part of or connected to the school network. The school reserves the right to access any disk or other media brought into school and to monitor all communications. Pupils should therefore be aware that their files will not always be private.

The following are not permitted:

1. Sending or displaying offensive messages or pictures.
2. Using obscene language or inappropriate websites
3. Using social networking sites, internet sites or electronic mail to bully, harass, insult or otherwise annoy any person in the school community.
4. Using other peoples' passwords.
5. Accessing any other person's work or files without permission.
6. Malicious damage to computers, software and other hardware.
7. Violation of copyright laws or the Computer Misuse Act
8. Intentionally wasting limited resources.
9. Using social networking sites, e.g. Facebook, in school.

## **Sanctions**

Violation of the above rules may result in one or more of these sanctions:

1. Temporary or permanent ban on the use of the Internet and electronic mail.
2. Additional disciplinary action in line with the school's Behaviour Policy.
3. When applicable, police or local authorities may be involved.