



## Ark William Parker Academy

The purpose of our e-safety policy is to educate students so that they protect themselves from the risk of:

1. Inappropriate, illegal or harmful content
2. Being victim of harmful on line interactions with other users
3. Personal online behaviour that increases the likelihood of, or causes harm.

(DFE Keeping Children Safe in Education – statutory guidance for schools and colleges)

New technologies have become integral to the lives of children and young people in today's society, both within schools and in their lives outside school. The internet and other digital and information technologies are powerful tools, which open up new opportunities for everyone. The use of these exciting and innovative tools in school and at home has been shown to raise educational standards and promote student achievement. Children and young people should have an entitlement to safe internet access at all times. However, unfortunately, these new technologies can put young people at risk within and outside the school.

### Scope

The e-safety policy applies to all members of the school community (including staff, students, volunteers, parents / carers, visitors, community users) who have access to and are users of Ark William Parker Academy ICT systems, both in and out of school.

The Education and Inspections Act 2006 empowers Head Teachers, to such extent as is reasonable, to regulate the behaviour of students when they are off the school site and empowers members of staff to impose disciplinary penalties for inappropriate behaviour. This is pertinent to incidents of cyber-bullying or other e-safety incidents covered by this policy, which may take place out of school, but is linked to membership of the school.

The school will deal with such incidents within this policy and associated behaviour and anti-bullying policies and will, where known, inform parents / carers of incidents of inappropriate e-safety behaviour that take place out of school.

E-Safety education will be provided in the following ways:

- A planned e-safety programme will be provided as part of ICT / PHSE / other lessons and will be evaluated and revisited every year - this will cover both the use of ICT and new technologies in school and outside school.

- Key e-safety messages will be reinforced as part of a planned programme of assemblies.
- Students will be taught in all lessons to be critically aware of the materials they access on-line and be guided to validate the accuracy of information.
- Rules for the use of ICT systems and internet will be posted in all rooms with computer access.
- Students will be taught to acknowledge the source of information used and to respect copyright when using material accessed on the internet.
- Staff will act as good role models in their use of ICT, the internet and mobile devices.

### Guidance for Parents

To support our parents we have provided information related to particular web sites where parents can seek support and guidance to secure their child's e-safety.

Should parents have any concerns about their child's online safety, they should contact their child's Head of Year with all the relevant information and with copies of any evidence.

### E-Safety Group

Officer		
Nominated Governor / Parent	Luke Dean	Governor and Community
Child Protection	Claire Bessa	Designated Safeguarding Lead
Teaching Staff	Collette Iglinski	Head of PSHE
Support Staff	Bruce Grant	Data Manager



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The steering group will report to the Principal and Governors as required.

Whilst the Steering Group will direct and lead, it is the duty of every member of staff to prioritise the safeguarding of our students by:

- Being vigilant
- Reporting and addressing any suspicion or issue related to student safety
- Teaching the students about how to keep themselves safe online and how to avoid being a victim online
- Fully implementing the school's policies
- Taking deliberate action when students are seen in possession of digital devices on school site

IT Policy:

 **IT Policy**

Responsible use of IT (Students):

 **AWP Responsible Use of ICT - Students 2016**

Guidance for Parents:

[https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/14\\_plus/](https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/14_plus/): advice for students and parents

<https://www.disrespectnobody.co.uk/>: advice related to dealing with sexting and online relationships

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/social-media-guides>: safety features on social networks and reports with recent data.

<http://www.itai.info/what-is-prevent/> Guidance and support related to extremism and radicalisation