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# ICT ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY FOR STUDENTS

**POLICY CATEGORY: C**

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SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_

Richard Williams (Chair of Governors)



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### Acceptable Use Policy Agreement Overview

I understand that I must use school ICT systems in a responsible way, to ensure that there is no risk to my safety or to the safety and security of the ICT systems and other users.

#### 1. For my own personal safety:

- 1.1. I must respect the school's systems and equipment. If I cannot be responsible I may lose the right to use them.
- 1.2. I will keep my password secret. I will not share it, nor will I try to use any other person's username and password. If I suspect someone knows my password, I will change it.
- 1.3. I understand that Aylesbury Grammar School will monitor my use of the systems, devices (including any devices connected to the school Wifi) and internet in school.
- 1.4. I will be aware that people I am communicating with on the internet may not be telling the truth about themselves.
- 1.5. I will not share personal information about myself or others when online.
- 1.6. I will immediately report any inappropriate material or anything that makes me feel uncomfortable online to a member of staff.
- 1.7. If I receive any abusive emails or messages on my school account, I will inform a member of staff immediately.

#### 2. I will act as I expect others to act toward me:

- 2.1. I will be polite and responsible when I communicate with others. I will not use rude, inappropriate or threatening language.
- 2.2. I will not create, generate, take or distribute images, films or audio of anyone without their permission.
- 2.3. I will always think before I post something online, as it can become public and may have repercussions either now or later on in my life.

#### 3. When using the internet for research or recreation, I recognise that:

- 3.1. Where work is protected by copyright, I will not try to download copies.
- 3.2. When I am using the internet to find information, I will check the information with a second trusted source, as I understand that the work of others may not be truthful and may be a deliberate attempt to mislead me.

**4. I understand that the school has a responsibility to maintain the security and integrity of the technology it offers me:**

- 4.1 I will only use my own personal devices (including Chromebook and mobile phone) in school if I have permission to do so. I understand that if I do use my own devices in school, I will follow the same rules set out in this agreement.
- 4.2 I will immediately report any damage or faults involving my Chromebook, school equipment or software to a teacher or the IT department.
- 4.3 I will not, or attempt to, hack, scan/probe the network, install/run malicious software or attempt to gain access to accounts and/or systems.
- 4.4 I will not use the school systems for gaming, file sharing or broadcasting without permission of a member of staff to do so.
- 4.5 I will not upload, download, send or access any illegal or inappropriate materials
- 4.6 I understand that the filtering is for everyone's safety so I will not use any Virtual Private Network (VPN) or Proxies to try and bypass the school's filtering/security systems.
- 4.7 I will not misuse Artificial Intelligence (AI) technologies to cheat, or plagiarise work. I understand that submitting a piece of work without disclosing where AI has been used could lead to disciplinary action.

**5. I understand that I am responsible for my actions, both in and out of school:**

- 5.1 I understand that Aylesbury Grammar School has the right to take action against me if I am involved in incidents of inappropriate behaviour online and where they involve my membership of the school.
- 5.2 I understand that if I fail to comply with this Acceptable Usage Policy agreement, I will be subject to disciplinary action, which may include; temporary or permanent loss of access to the school network/internet in addition to significant sanctions in accordance with the school's behavioural policies. In the event of illegal activities, the advice of the Police will be sought and followed.

**6. Policy Review**

- 6.1 This policy will be reviewed and updated annually by the Senior Leadership Team (SLT).