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Responsible Internet Use 2012/2013

Dear Parents & Carers

We take your child's safety very seriously. Part of our job is to help your child how to use the internet safely and we will discuss the internet policy overleaf with them in class. We hope that you will discuss it with your child and sign and return this form.

Pupil Name: Year group:

Pupil's Agreement

I have read and understand the school rules for Responsible Internet Use. I will use the computer system and Internet in a responsible way and obey these rules at all times.

Signed:

Parent's Consent for Internet Access

I have read and understood the school rules for Internet use and give permission for my son / daughter to access the Internet. I understand that the school will take all reasonable precautions to ensure pupils cannot access inappropriate materials. I understand that the school cannot be held responsible for the nature or content of materials accessed through the Internet. I agree that the school is not liable for any damages arising from use of the internet facilities.

Please print name:_____

Signed: ______ (Parent/Carer)

Parent's Consent for Web Publication of work and Photographs

I agree / disagree (Please delete as necessary) that, if selected, my sons/daughter's work / photograph may be published on the school Web Site. I also agree / disagree (Please delete as necessary) that photographs that may include my son / daughter may be published subject to the rules that photographs will not clearly identify individuals and that names will not be used.

Please print name:_____

Signed: ______ (Parent/Guardian)





INTERNET USE POLICY

We developed the following rules to ensure the privacy and safety of pupils when using the Internet & World Wide Web. Please read them.

- Any images of children will not be labelled with their names.
- No close up pictures of our children will be available Online.
- Children and staff will never reveal their personal details, and home addresses & telephone numbers on the web or in dialogue with other Internet users.
- All e-mails to classes will be moderated by the class teacher.
- Children will not engage in conversation or dialogue with other users on the Internet without permission or supervision from their teacher.
- Children are only allowed to use the provided links by themselves. The free use of Search Engines, is not permitted, unless in the presence of a teacher or other adult in school.
- The Search Engines used by children at St John Vianney Catholic Primary School all offer a filtered list of links.
- Any child finding themselves uncomfortable or upset by anything they discover on the Internet will report it to a teacher immediately.
- Downloading of files is restricted to staff, or children under supervision.
- All Internet access at St John Vianney Catholic Primary School is filtered through a proxy server to screen undesirable sites at source this facility must only be disabled by the ICT coordinator.

A note to parents:

The school recognises that, under certain circumstances, the Internet can give children access to undesirable information and images. We have done all that is possible to ensure children are protected from such information through the use of security software, limiting of features and the construction of an Intranet and Website that provide as safe an environment as possible. The children are taught to use the facility sensibly and with proper consideration for others.

It is recommended that parents using the Internet at home with children, develop a similar set of rules and invest in appropriate security software, e.g: Netnanny, Cyberpatrol or Surfwatch.

If you have any comment to make about these rules, or any suggestions for extra ones, please e-mail the ICT Co-ordinator c/o school admin e-mail address: admin@stjohnvianney.newcastle.sch.uk