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Student Friendly Online Policy

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This child friendly online safety policy has been developed in collaboration with **Minerva Primary Academy** Pupil Council with the aim to keep

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Why do we like the internet?

- We can learn new and interesting things
- We use it for our school work e.g. TTRS
- We can play games
- We can communicate with our friends



What is Online Safety?

- Being safe online means protecting yourself and others from online harms and risks so you can use online platforms responsibly and safely to learn, create, explore and have fun.



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What are the dangers of children going online?

- Cyber bullying - nasty text messages, emails, group chats.
- People on the internet can pretend that they are someone else.
- People could ask you for personal information, which is dangerous.
- Inappropriate or incorrect content

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How does Minerva Primary Academy keep pupils safe when they use the internet at school?

- The school maintain anti-virus software to keep viruses away
- We have internet filters to keep us from seeing inappropriate content.
- The schools keeps laptops and Wi-Fi access secure.
- Our curriculum proactively teaches everyone about keeping safe with regular reminders through pop up events and assemblies i.e. safer internet day
- Children have their own email accounts and taught not to share personal information or passwords



If you have a problem when you are online what should you do?

- Keep calm and try an ignore the person.
- Block and report anyone that is being unkind.
- Check your privacy settings.
- Report anything that worries you to a trusted adult at home and at school
- Keep all messages as evidence.

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What should you not do?

- Do not keep worries to yourself.
- Do not respond back or be unkind to anybody.

How does Minerva Primary Academy respond to Online Safety Issues?

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- We take online safety matters seriously.
- We listen to the children involved and offer support.
- We investigate and look at evidence and speak to those involved.
- We may contact parents/carers.
- We encourage students to block and report.
- We will teach extra lessons in response to an issue

Our Internet Rules:

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- We never share our passwords or personal information (your home address, date of birth) with anyone else.
- We need to tell a grown up if we see or hear something that makes us upset or worried.
- When we only send emails or use social media apps that are polite and friendly.
- We will have more conversations with our parents/carers about what we are doing online and do our best to spend less time on our phones.

How should we act on the Internet?

S - Keep your personal information **SAFE** and **Secure**

M - Do not agree to meet anyone from the Internet: they may not be who they say they are

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A - Do not **ACCEPT** messages or emails from someone body you don't know

R - Remember, do not always trust the information you find on the Internet: it may not be correct

T - If something or someone upsets you on the Internet **TELL** a trusted adult in school or at home.

