



Pikes Lane Primary School

Online Safety Policy

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Policy Leader - Mr Bradley

Appendices & Policies that support this policy.

Appendix

- 1 Online Safety Incident Flowchart
- 2 DFE Technical Standards
- 3 Acceptable User Agreements documents – Staff, Visitors & Volunteers
- 3.1-3.4 Acceptable User Agreements documents –Pupils

Scope of the Policy

The regulation and use of technical solutions to safeguard children are important but must be balanced with teaching the necessary skills to enable pupils to take responsibility for their own safety in an ever-changing digital world. The National Computing Curriculum states that children should be able to use technology safely, respectfully, and responsibly keeping personal information private, recognise acceptable or unacceptable behaviour and identify a range of ways to report concerns about content and contact. Children's safety is paramount, and they will receive the help, guidance and support through the whole curriculum to enable them to recognise and avoid online risks and to build their resilience. During the delivery of the curriculum staff will reinforce and consolidate safe online learning

This policy applies to all members of the school community who have access to and are users of school ICT systems and online resources, both in and out of school.

The school will deal with incidents as outlined within this policy, within the remit of their safeguarding, behaviour and anti-bullying policies (and others when applicable).

Development of the Policy

This Online Safety Policy has been developed by Bolton Schools' ICT. It is recommended that this Policy is reviewed and ratified by the school's own relevant parties* i.e.

- Headteacher
- Governing Body
- Designated Safeguarding lead (DSL)
- Computing lead / team

This Online Safety Policy was approved by the Governing Body on:	20.12.23
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Schedule of Monitoring and Review

The Online Safety Policy will be reviewed annually, or more regularly in the light of any significant new developments in the use of the technologies, new Online threats or incidents that have taken place.	
The implementation of this Online Safety Policy will be monitored by the:	Headteacher Governors DSL has responsibility for online safety, to then liaise with relevant parties to develop action plan. Computing Lead / team
The school will monitor the impact of the policy using:	Identify children at greater risk of harm. Regular Audits of children and families' online behaviour and harms for baseline, this information to feed into risk assessment. Online Safety Risk Assessment- 360 template. Logs of reported incidents Monitoring logs of internet activity (including sites visited) Internal monitoring data for network activity

Governing Body will receive a report on the implementation of the Online Safety Policy generated by the monitoring group at regular intervals:	Termly where appropriate
Should serious Online incidents take place, the following external persons / agencies should be informed:	Headteacher School DSL LADO Police See Appendix 1

KCSIE 2023

In the KCSIE 2023 there is a greater emphasis on filtering and monitoring in schools. The document stresses the importance of all staff members understanding their duties and obligations regarding online safety. Schools are advised to reflect their approach to online safety, including appropriate filtering and monitoring on school devices and networks, in their child protection policy.

‘All staff should receive appropriate safeguarding and child protection training (including online safety which, amongst other things, includes an understanding of the expectations, applicable roles and responsibilities in relation to filtering and monitoring – see para 141 for further information) at induction. The training should be regularly updated. In addition, all staff should receive safeguarding and child protection (including online safety) updates (for example, via email, e-bulletins, and staff meetings), as required, and at least annually, to continue to provide them with relevant skills and knowledge to safeguard children effectively.’ [* DFE - KCSIE 2023](#)

Roles and Responsibilities

Headteacher:

The Headteacher has a duty of care for ensuring the day-to-day safety (including Online) of all members of the school community.

The role of the Headteacher will include:

- ensuring that all members of the school community understand and acknowledge their responsibilities in the event of a serious online allegation being made (**Appendix 1**)
- ensuring that all staff receive suitable **annual updates** for all staff members about their responsibilities regarding online safety, filtering, and monitoring and acknowledge and understand the potential for serious child protection / safeguarding issues.
- ensuring that the Online Safety Policy is accessible to the wider School Community (School website)
- meet at regular intervals with the DSL to ensure the implementation of this policy (as outlined above).
- ensuring the relevant parties receive regular monitoring reports from the DSL.
- ensuring there are opportunities to communicate up to date Online Safety information to the wider school community.

The Education and Inspections Act 2006 empowers Headteachers to such extent as is reasonable, to regulate the behaviour of pupils 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 online incidents covered by this policy, which may take place outside of the school, but is linked to membership of the school. The 2011 Education Act increased these powers regarding the searching for and of electronic devices and the deletion of data. In the case of both acts, action can only be taken over issues covered by the published Anti-Bullying and Behaviour Policy.

Governors:

Governors are responsible for the approval of this Online Safety Policy and for reviewing its effectiveness. This will be carried out by the Governing board, receiving regular information about online incidents and monitoring reports.

Where appointed, the role of the Online Governor will include:

- regular meetings with the DSL/ Computing lead/team
- regular monitoring of the Online Incident Log/CPOMS - This will be shared via the head teachers report (which will include anonymous details of Online Incidents Report Log **appendix 4**)
- ensuring robust technical support is in place to keep systems safe and secure.
- regular monitoring of filtering
- reporting to the Governing board
- attending training for online safety where appropriate

** If a school is using CPOMS it is important to ensure that the lozenges are set up to be specific and appropriate, for example – PEGI, Tik Tok, Snapchat, Instagram etc. This will assist in collating and responding to Online Incidents.

Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)

DSL takes the lead role in managing online safety, ensuring that school has clear procedures to address any safeguarding concerns and uphold the school's prevent duty obligations.

The DSL will review and update the school's filtering and monitoring procedures, clearly defining roles and responsibilities within these processes. When assessing filtering and monitoring systems, governing bodies and relevant parties will consider the number of children at risk and the proportionality of costs versus safety risks.

The DSL will evaluate the strength and suitability of the current cyber security measures and consider improvements where necessary.

The DSL will ensure that the school's Safeguarding/ child protection policy adequately reflects its approach to online safety, including appropriate filtering and monitoring on school devices and school networks.

The DSL is responsible for taking any necessary action as per the Online Safety Incident reporting flowchart (**Appendix 1**).

They will arrange regular training and provide **annual updates** for all staff members about their responsibilities regarding online safety, filtering, and monitoring and acknowledge and understand the potential for serious child protection / safeguarding issues that arise from, but not limited to

- sharing of personal data
- accessing illegal / inappropriate materials
- exposure to inappropriate online content
- inappropriate contact with adults/strangers
- potential or actual incidents of grooming
- sexting
- cyber-bullying

In the event of a child protection or safeguarding incident pertaining to the above, the DSL will refer to **appendix 1**.

Computing Lead / Team

The Computing Lead has the responsibility for the teaching and learning of online safety across the whole school. The school has raised the profile of online safety and has expanded the computing curriculum to include a fourth strand of Digital Citizenship, the Education for a Connected World framework is used to support the teaching of Digital Citizenship and PHSE across all year groups.

The role of the Computing Lead/team includes:

- providing advice for staff and signpost relevant training and resources
- liaising with relevant outside agencies
- liaising with relevant technical support teams
- as needed to support DSL reviewing reports of Online Incidents (**CPOMS**)
- meeting regularly with Headteacher and relevant parties to discuss issues and subsequent actions.
- acting in response to issues identified
- communicating up-to-date Online Safety information to the wider school community

School Staff

It is essential that all staff.

- receive **annual** appropriate safeguarding and child protection information, including online safety which includes an understanding of the expectations, applicable roles and responsibilities in relation to filtering and monitoring.
- understand and acknowledge their responsibilities as outlined in this Policy.
- have read, understood and signed the Staff Acceptable Use Policy (Appendix 3)
- keep up to date with the Online Safety Policy as part of their CPD.
- will not support or promote extremist organisations, messages, or individuals.
- will not give a voice or opportunity to extremist visitors with extremist views.
- will not browse, download, or send material that is considered offensive or of an extremist nature by the school.
- have an up-to-date awareness of online matters pertinent to the children that they teach/have contact with
- report concerns and log incidents. (CPOMS)
- ensure that all digital communications with the School Community are on a professional level and only carried out using official school approved systems.
- apply this Online Safety Policy to all aspects of the Curriculum.
- share, discuss and ensure the children understand and acknowledge their responsibility to follow their age-appropriate Acceptable Use Agreements.
- are good role models in their use of all digital technologies.
- are vigilant in monitoring how pupils use digital technologies and access online content whilst in their care.

It is accepted that from time to time, for purposeful/appropriate educational reasons, pupils may need to research topics (e.g. racism, drugs, and discrimination) that would normally result in internet searches being blocked. In such a situation, staff can request that the Technical Staff (or other relevant designated person) can temporarily remove those sites from the filtered list for the period of study. Any request to do so should be auditable with clear reasons for the need.

Technical support

The school's technical infrastructure must be secure and actively reduces the risk of misuse or malicious attack.

To facilitate this, school has support from Securly.

The role includes:

- Follow the [DFE digital and technology standards in schools](#)
- provide a secure Wi-Fi system for both staff and guests with in your setting
- maintaining filtering and monitoring systems
- providing filtering and monitoring reports
- completing actions following concerns or checks to systems
- procure systems (with SLT &DSL)
- identify risk (with SLT &DSL)
- carry out reviews (with SLT &DSL)
- carry out checks (with SLT & DSL)
- ensuring that detected risks and/or misuse is reported to the Headteacher at school.
- ensuring that schools are informed of any changes to guidance or any planned maintenance.
- school technical systems will be managed and reviewed annually in ways that ensure that the school meets recommended technical requirements.
- all users will have clearly defined access rights to school technical systems and devices.
- all school network users will be assigned an individual username and password at the appropriate level of access needed for their role.
- ensuring internet access is filtered for all users. Illegal content is filtered by the broadband or filtering provider by actively employing the [Internet Watch Foundation](#) Child Abuse Image Content list (CAIC).
- content lists are regularly updated, and internet use is logged and regularly monitored.
- there is a clear process in place to deal with requests for filtering changes.
- provide a platform where school should report any content accessible in school but deemed inappropriate.

- ensuring appropriate security measures are in place to protect the servers, firewalls, routers, wireless systems, workstations, mobile devices etc. from accidental or malicious attempts which might threaten the security of the school systems and data. These are tested regularly. The school infrastructure and individual workstations are protected by up-to-date virus software (**Appendix 2**)

Pupils

The children's learning will progress through a broad, effective and relevant Online Safety curriculum.

A pupil's learning journey will be holistic in that it will include, but is not limited to their online reputation, online bullying and their health and wellbeing.

It is essential that all pupils should:

- understand, acknowledge and adhere to their age-appropriate Acceptable Use Policy (**Appendix 3**)
- be able to recognise when something makes them feel uncomfortable (butterfly feeling) and know how to report it.
- accept their responsibility to respond accordingly to any content they consider as inappropriate.
- understand the importance of being a responsible digital citizen and realise that the school's Online Safety Policy applies to their actions both in and out of school.
- know that school will act in response to any breach of the Online Safety Policy

Parents / Carers / Responsible adults

Parents play an essential role in the education of their children and in the monitoring / regulation of the children's on-line usage. Due to the ever-evolving Digital World, adults can sometimes be unsure of how to respond to online risks and issues. They may also underestimate how often pupils encounter potentially harmful and inappropriate online material.

Therefore, it is essential that all adults should:

- promote safe and responsible online practice and must support the school by adhering to the school's Safeguarding and Online Safety Policy in relation to digital and video images taken whilst on school premises or at school events.
- understand, acknowledge their child's Acceptable Use Policy (**Appendix 3.1-4**)
- understand, acknowledge that their child adheres to school procedure relating to their use of personal devices whilst on school grounds.

To support the school community, school will provide information and awareness through, but not limited to:

- letters, newsletters, website links, publications, external agencies
- Parents / Carer workshops
- high profile events / campaigns e.g. Safer Internet Day

Visitors entering school

It is essential that school apprise visitors of all relevant policies pertaining to their visit and contact with pupils.

Useful Information

Safeguarding

In the event of a Safeguarding infringement or suspicion, **appendix 1** must be followed with consideration of the following:

- Have more than one senior member of staff involved in this process. This is vital to protect individuals if accusations are subsequently reported.
- Conduct the procedure using a computer that will not be used by pupils and if necessary, can be taken off site by the police should the need arise. Use the same computer for the duration of the procedure.

- It is important to ensure that the relevant staff should have appropriate internet access to conduct the investigation, but also that the sites and content visited are closely monitored and recorded (to provide further protection)
- Record any site containing the alleged misuse and describe the nature of the content causing concern. It may also be necessary to record and store screenshots of the content on the machine being used for investigation. These may be printed and signed (except in the case of images of child sexual abuse – see below)
- If content being reviewed includes images of Child abuse, then the monitoring should be halted and referred to the Police immediately. Other instances to report to the police would include incidents of 'grooming' behaviour the sending of obscene materials to a child adult material which potentially breaches the Obscene Publications Act criminally racist material other criminal conduct, activity or materials. Isolate the computer in question as best you can. Any change to its state may hinder a later police investigation.

It is important that all the above steps are taken as they will provide an evidence trail for the school and possibly the police and demonstrate that visits to these sites were carried out for child protection purposes. The completed form should be retained by the relevant group for evidence and reference purposes.

Data Protection

Personal and sensitive data will be recorded, processed, transferred and made available according to the Data Protection Act 2018. Schools are audited regularly regarding how they handle their data, for further information please refer to school Data Protection Policy (**Appendix 5**).

Communications

When using communication technologies the school considers the following as good practice:

- The Office 365 school email service is safe and secure and is monitored. Users should be aware that email communications are monitored. Staff and pupils should therefore use only the school email service to communicate with others when in school.
- When accessing emails out of the schools setting, staff will only be able to access their schools' emails using Microsoft Multifactor Authentication app.
- Users must immediately report to the nominated person – in accordance with the school policy, the receipt of any communication that makes them feel uncomfortable, is offensive, discriminatory, threatening or bullying in nature and must not respond to any such communication.
- Any digital communication between staff and pupils or parents / carers (email, chat) must be professional in tone and content. These communications may only take place on official (monitored) school systems. Personal email addresses, text messaging or social media must not be used for these communications.
- Pupils should be taught about online issues, such as the risks attached to the sharing of personal details. They should also be taught strategies to deal with inappropriate communications and be reminded of the need to communicate appropriately when using digital technologies.
- Personal information should not be posted on the school website and only official email addresses should be used to identify members of staff.

Social Media

The school's use of social media is to promote the ethos of the school. It is the responsibility of all staff to ensure that the content they upload is for professional purposes only, be compliant with the school policies and protect the identity of pupils.

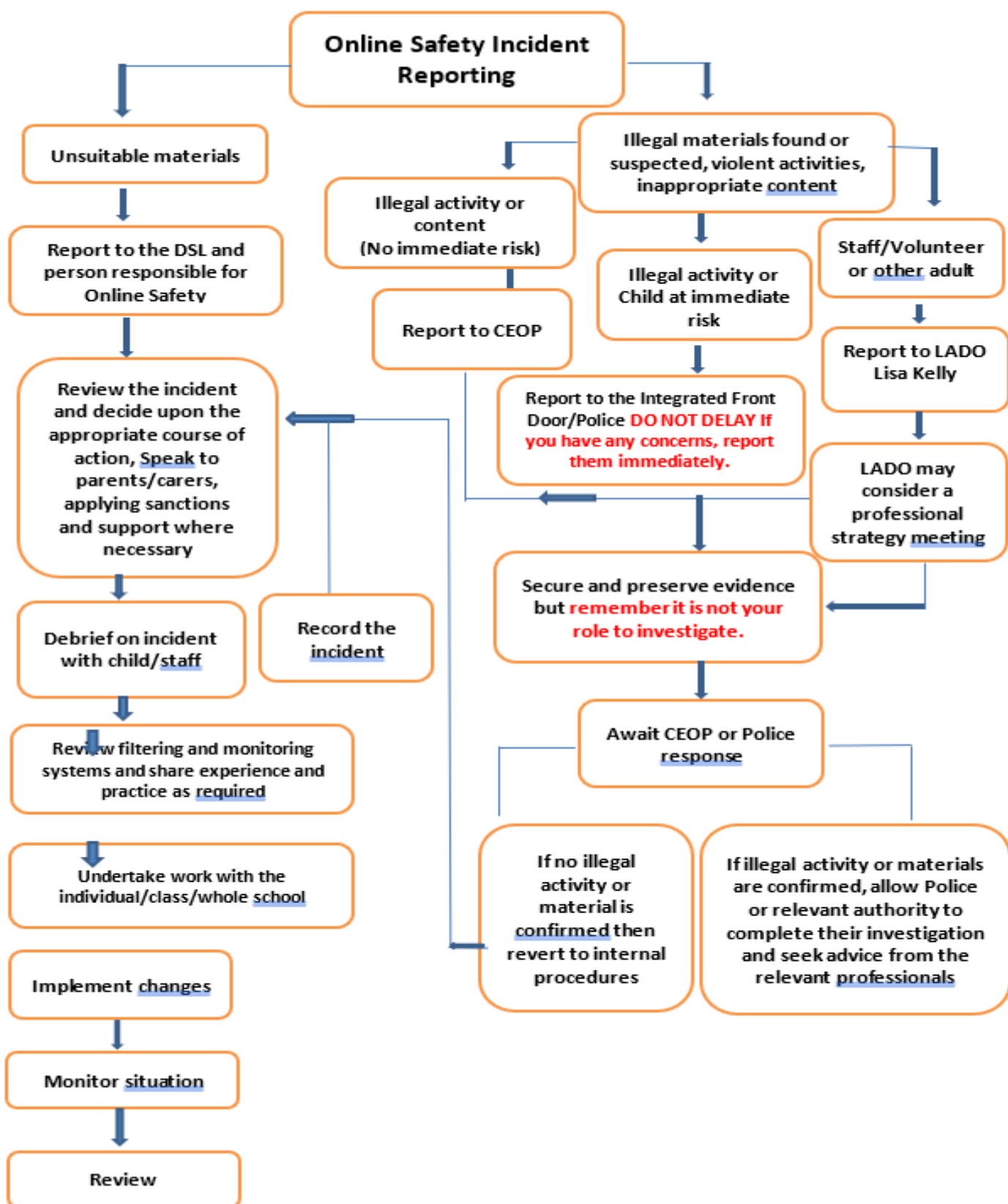
Filtering and monitoring

Internet access protocol, user management and infrastructure is outsourced to specialist IT coordinators (currently Computeam Ltd) as part of a service level agreement. Internet filtering and security is currently run and delivered through a subscription to Securely. The Securely subscription includes a global filtering smart agent that is installed on pupil's iPads. Regular upgrades are completed to ensure suitability.

More information on the technical specification of the filtering services can be found on **Appendix 2** and here: <http://computeam.co.uk/productsandservices/specialist-education-ict-support.html>

School IT systems capacity and security will be reviewed and improved regularly. Virus protection will be updated regularly and any problems will be highlighted to the IT Subject Leader as soon as possible. Security concerns or changes must be reported to line managers, Head Teacher and Governors, if the need arises.

 NCA Young people can report concerns about child sexual abuse and exploitation to NCA	 Report Remove A free tool that allows children to report nude or sexual images and videos of themselves that they think might have been shared online	 ChildLine A free, private and confidential service where CYP can talk about anything to a trained counsellor, online or on the phone	 NSPCC Report Abuse in Education The Report Abuse in Education helpline offers support and guidance to CYP and who have experienced or witnesses sexual harassment or abuse in schools
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Support for Bolton Schools

SET – Safeguarding in Education Team:

- **Jo Nicholson– Safeguarding in Education Officer – 07917072223**
- **Natalie France – Safeguarding Education Social Worker – 07384234744**
- **SET@Bolton.gov.uk**

LADO: Lisa Kelly- 07824541233

Integrated Front Door – 01204 331500

Police protection investigation unit – 0161 856 7949

Community Police - 101

Complex Safeguarding Team – Exitteam@bolton.gov.uk

If there is an ICT network issue, contact your school ICT provider.

If your provider is Bolton School ICT Unit – contact 01024 332034 or contact@sict.bolton.gov.uk

Next steps

- **Consider if an individual safety plan is required**
- **Consider opening an early help assessment**
- **Ensure that data inputting procedures are in place and that data is shared with relevant governance**

Appendix 2

DFE Technical Standards

As a school we are regularly monitoring our compliance with the schools technology standards. Computeam are our technology support partners through a Service Level Agreement and help us to identify weaknesses and areas for improvement. We are currently compliant with:

- Broadband Internet Standards
- Network Switching Standards
- Network Cabling Standards
- Wireless Network Standards
- Cyber Security Standards
- Filtering and Monitoring Standards
- Cloud Solution Standards
- Servers and Storage Standards

The school firewall solution is Barracuda and the antivirus protection is BitDefender. Our internet service is a lease line and complimenting Aruba infrastructure capable of WiFi-6 speeds. iPads are enrolled in Lightspeed MDM. SIMS, the server and Google Drive are all backed up to the cloud. In 2024 we will be introducing 2 factor authentication to improve the security of email accounts. In December 2023 our filtering and monitoring was changed from “Lightspeed Relay” to “Securly” which will flag internet misuse and provide reports at regular intervals to the DSLs in line with the KCSiE guidance. We may seek to complete a cyber security audit in the future to identify any areas for future development. There are no large immediate or foreseeable developments needed in the current infrastructure. This will be reviewed on an ongoing basis and at least annually.

How Securly Helps Schools Meet KCSIE Filtering Guidance



Securly Filter is a web filter designed for schools and widely deployed in the UK and around the world. As UK government guidance evolves Securly makes every effort to ensure that its products comply and help schools comply with their statutory obligations around student safety and well-being.



Securly Filter is one of a suite of school focused safety products from Securly designed to make it seamless for schools to meet their student safety obligations. Specifically, Securly Filter meets the filtering technical requirements, and Securly Aware and Securly Classroom help schools meet their KCSIE monitoring obligations.

Responses to KCSIE Web Filter Requirements

Make sure your filtering provider is:

KCSIE GUIDANCE	SECURLY RESPONSE
A member of Internet Watch Foundation (IWF).	Securly has been an IWF member since 01/03/2016.
Signed up to Counter-Terrorism Internet Referral Unit list (CTIRU).	Securly receives and incorporates the CTIRU feed into its filtering technology.
Blocking access to illegal content including child sexual abuse material (CSAM).	Securly blocks access to illegal content including CSAM.
If the filtering provision is procured with a broadband service, make sure it meets the needs of your school or college.	Securly works with broadband providers and managed service providers to ensure Securly Filter is well configured and fit for purpose.

Your filtering system should be operational, up to date and applied to all:

KCSIE GUIDANCE	SECURLY RESPONSE
Users, including guest accounts.	Securly Filter can be applied to all device types and all user categories in all locations, with user-level logging and filtering through sign-in and directory integration with Microsoft Azure or Google G-Suite. Securly's cloud architecture supports all device types (Windows, Chrome, iOS, MAC, Android, etc.) in all locations (in and away from school). It supports school-owned devices, guest networks, and BYOD.
School-owned devices.	Securly Filter can be applied to the school network, filtering all devices on the network and to individual school owned devices, of all types, including but not limited to windows, chrome, iOS, Android, Linux. School owned devices can then be filtered in any location.
Devices using the school broadband connection.	Securly Filter can also be applied to BYOD devices, and Guest networks ensuring all devices using the school broadband connection are appropriately filtered.

Your filtering system should:

KCSIE GUIDANCE	SECURLY RESPONSE
Filter all internet feeds, including any backup connections.	Securly Filter can be applied at both the user/device level and at the network level.
Be age and ability appropriate for the users, and be suitable for educational settings.	Securly Filter is built exclusively for education and has school appropriate filtering configured out-of-the-box with simple configuration of more strict or relaxed policies as required. Through manual configuration or directory integration age appropriate (and other group) settings may be implemented.
Handle multilingual web content, images, common misspellings and abbreviations.	Securly Filter and its classification engine PageScan (incorporation text scan and image scan) use dynamic categorisation, crowd sourced URL scanning, search engine crawling and paid 3rd party categorisation to keep its classification database up to date and to dynamically categorise new sites. This is an industry standard approach which covers text and images, is multilingual and handles common abbreviations and misspellings.
Identify technologies and techniques that allow users to get around the filtering such as VPNs and proxy services and block them.	Securly works with schools to ensure Securly Filter is applied in the most robust way possible and includes publicly available best practice guides and recommendations for configuring devices and networks to best protect children and prevent circumvention.
Provide alerts when any web content has been blocked.	Securly Filter includes the ability to generate instant alerts for blocked content, this is configurable at a policy level to allow for different alert levels for vulnerable users.
Mobile and app content is often presented in a different way to web browser content. If your users access content in this way, you should get confirmation from your provider as to whether they can provide filtering on mobile or app technologies. A technical monitoring system should be applied to devices using mobile or app content to reduce the risk of harm.	Securly Aware connects directly into Microsoft Office365 and G-Suite Workspace to scan documents, emails, chats, images, and videos for inappropriate content regardless of where those systems are used or how they are accessed.
It is important to be able to identify individuals who might be trying to access unsuitable or illegal material so they can be supported by appropriate staff, such as the senior leadership team or the designated safeguarding lead.	Securly Filter categorises blocked URLs in a way designed to be useful in schools. Categories include pornography, drugs, gambling, hate and other adult. Students trying to access unsuitable material will be blocked, an alert is generated and the activity logged against the student. Appropriate staff may investigate via the reporting system.

Your filtering systems should allow you to identify:

KCSIE GUIDANCE	SECURLY RESPONSE
Device name or ID, IP address, and where possible, the individual.	Securly Filter logs the username from Microsoft Azure AD or G-Suite; for shared devices, a device name or serial number may be used instead, or where authentication is not possible, an IP address is recorded. This information determines if a device or user is on-site or off-site and if policies should differ based on that measure.
The time and date of attempted access.	The search term or content being blocked by Securly Filter and Securly Aware is logged and includes a date and timestamp for all activities.
The search term or content being blocked.	Securly Filter logs search terms in a format that is easy for non-technical users to inspect and understand.



Prefer to talk?
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Appendix3:

Staff, Visitors and Volunteers Acceptable Use Policy

Sections that include advice or guidance are highlighted. It is anticipated that schools / academies will remove these sections from their final AUP document. Schools should review and amend the contents of this AUP to ensure that it is consistent with their Online Policy and other relevant school policies. Due to the number of optional statements and the advice / guidance sections included in this template, it is anticipated that the final AUP will be more concise.

Innovative 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 information and communications technologies are powerful tools, which open up new opportunities for everyone. These technologies can stimulate discussion, promote creativity and stimulate awareness of context to promote effective learning. They also bring opportunities for staff to be more creative and productive in their work. All users should have an entitlement to safe internet access at all times.

This Acceptable Use Policy is intended to ensure:

- that staff and volunteers will be responsible users and stay safe while using the internet and other communications technologies for educational and personal use.
- that school IT systems and users are protected from accidental or deliberate misuse that could put the security of the systems and users at risk.
- that staff are protected from potential risk in their use of IT in their everyday work.

The school will ensure that staff and volunteers will have good access to IT to enhance their work, to enhance learning opportunities for *students / pupils* learning and will, in return, expect staff and volunteers to agree to be responsible users.

Acceptable Use Policy Agreement

I understand that I must use the school IT systems in a responsible way, to ensure that there is no risk to my safety or to the safety and security of the IT systems and other users. I recognise the value of the use of technology for enhancing learning and will ensure that students / pupils receive opportunities to gain from the use of IT. I will educate the young people in my care in the safe use of technology and be a good role model in my own use of all digital technologies in my work with young people.

For my professional and personal safety:

- I understand that the *school* will monitor my use of the IT systems, email and other digital communications;
- I understand that the rules set out in this agreement also apply to use of school IT systems (e.g. laptops, iPad email etc.) out of school, and to the transfer of personal data (digital or paper based) out of school I will not support or promote extremist organisations, messages, or individuals;
- I will not give a voice or opportunity to extremist visitors with extremist views;
- I will not browse, download, or send material that is considered offensive or of an extremist nature by the school;
- I understand that the school IT systems are primarily intended for educational use and that I will only use the systems for personal use within the policies and rules set down by the school. (see policy that JW provides on induction)
- I will not disclose my username or password to anyone else, nor will I try to use any other person's username and password. I understand that I should not write down or store a password where it is possible that someone may steal it.

Staff passwords:

- **All staff users will be provided with a username and password** by Pikes Lane School *who will keep an up to date record of users and their usernames.*
- **A password should be a minimum of 8 characters long and must include three of – uppercase character, lowercase character, number, special characters and must not include proper names or any other personal information** about the user that might be known by others
- I will immediately report any illegal, inappropriate, or harmful material or incident I become aware of to the DSL.
- I will be professional in my communications and actions when using school IT systems.
 - I will not access, copy, remove or otherwise alter any other user's files, without their expressed permission.
 - I will communicate with others in a professional manner, I will not use aggressive or inappropriate language and I appreciate that others may have different opinions.
 - I will ensure that when I take and / or publish images of others I will do so with their permission and in accordance with the school's policy on the use of digital / video images.
- I will not use my personal equipment to record these images. Where these images are published (e.g. on the school website /social media platforms) it will not be possible to identify by name, or other personal information, those who are featured.
 - I will only use chat and social networking sites in school in accordance with the school's policies. Only formally Twitter (x) or Official Facebook Account using the school details, no other social media use is permitted in school.
 - I will only communicate with students / pupils and parents / carers using official school systems. Any such communication will be professional in tone and manner.
 - I will not engage in any on-line activity that may compromise my professional responsibilities.

The school and the local authority have the responsibility to provide safe and secure access to technologies and ensure the smooth running of the school/academy:

- When I use my mobile devices (IPads/ PDAs / laptops / mobile phones / USB devices etc.) in school, I will follow the rules set out in this agreement, in the same way as if I was using *school* equipment. I will also follow any additional rules set by the *school* about such use. I will ensure that any such devices are protected by up-to-date anti-virus software and are free from viruses.
- I will not use personal email addresses on the school / academy IT systems.
- I will not open any hyperlinks in emails or any attachments to emails, unless the source is known and trusted, or if I have any concerns about the validity of the email (due to the risk of the attachment containing viruses or other harmful programmes).
- I will ensure that my data is regularly backed up, in accordance with relevant school policies.
- I will not try to upload, download or access any materials which are illegal (child sexual abuse images, criminally racist material, adult pornography covered by the Obscene Publications Act) or inappropriate or may cause harm or distress to others. I will not try to use any programmes or software that might allow me to bypass the filtering / security systems in place to prevent access to such materials including VPN.
- I will not install or attempt to install programmes, or apps, of any type on a machine, or store programmes on a computer, nor will I try to alter computer settings, unless this is allowed in school/academy policies.
- I will not disable or cause any damage to school / academy equipment, or the equipment belonging to others.
- I will only transport, hold, disclose, or share personal information about myself or others, as outlined in the School Personal Data Policy (or other relevant policy). **Where digital personal data is transferred outside the secure local network, it must be encrypted.** Paper based Protected and Restricted data must be held in lockable storage.
- I understand that data protection policy requires that any staff or pupil data to which I have access, will be kept private and confidential, except when it is deemed necessary that I am required by law or by school policy to disclose such information to an appropriate authority.

- I will immediately report any damage or faults involving equipment or software, however this may have happened.

When using the internet in my professional capacity or for school sanctioned personal use:

- I will ensure that I have permission to use the original work of others in my own work;
- where work is protected by copyright, I will not download or distribute copies (including music and videos).

I understand that I am responsible for my actions in and out of the *school*:

I understand that this Acceptable Use Policy applies not only to my work and use of school IT equipment in school, but also applies to my use of school IT systems and equipment off the premises and my use of personal equipment on the premises (should not be used for work) or in situations related to my employment by the school/academy.

I understand that if I fail to comply with this Acceptable Use Policy, I could be subject to disciplinary action. This could include a warning, a suspension, referral to Governors / Directors and / or the Local Authority and in the event of illegal activities the involvement of the Police.

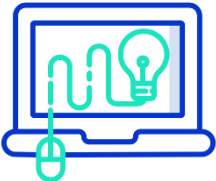
I have read and understand the above and agree to use the school IT systems (both in and out of school) and my own devices (in school and when conducting communications related to the school) within these guidelines.

Staff/Visitor/Volunteer Name

Signed

Date

EYFS Acceptable Use Agreement

 My Learning Using technology @school 	My conduct as a Digital Citizen ● I will be respectful when I use a school device (PCs, laptops, tablets/ipads) for my learning and tell a teacher if something is not working properly. ● I will ask a teacher before using a device and ask for help if I can't work the device. ● I will only use activities that a teacher has told me to use. ● I will ask a teacher if I am not sure what to do or think I have done something wrong. ● I can talk about my digital footprint and will try to use what I have learned about Online Safety in school. ● I know that there are rules that I need to follow to help me keep safe and healthy online at school when using technology. ● I will only use the internet when the teacher says I can. ● I will tell my teacher if I see something or somebody has made me feel sad, uncomfortable, embarrassed, or upset on the screen. 
 Using technology @home	My online world content ● I know that there are rules that I need to follow to help me keep safe and healthy online at home when using technology. ● I will tell a trusted adult if I see something or somebody has made me feel sad, uncomfortable, embarrassed, or upset on the screen.

I understand that this agreement will help me to stay safe and I agree to follow these rules.

I also understand that if I do not follow these rules, I might not be allowed to use the school's computing equipment.

Year 1 and Year 2 Acceptable Use Agreement

 My Learning Using technology @school 	My conduct as a Digital Citizen ● I will be respectful when I use a school device (PCs, laptops, tablets/ ipads) for my learning and tell a teacher if I am struggling or something is not working properly. ● I know I need to follow our online safety rules to help me keep safe and healthy online at school when using technology. ● I will only use activities that my teacher has told or allowed me to use. ● I will be kind online, so I do not upset my friends. ● I can talk about my digital footprint and will use what I have learned about Online Safety in school to search safety. ● I will tell my teacher if I see something or somebody has made me feel sad, uncomfortable, embarrassed, or upset on the screen.
 Using technology @home	My online world content ● I understand that certain sites and games have age restrictions to keep me safe. ● I understand that by accessing such sites and games, I may be putting myself at risk of cyberbullying. ● I will tell a trusted adult if I see content or somebody has made me feel sad, uncomfortable, embarrassed, or upset on the screen. My online world contact ● Where I have my own username and password, I will keep it safe and secret. ● I will not share personal information about myself when on-line (names, addresses, telephone numbers, age, gender, school details) ● I will tell a trusted adult if I see something or somebody has made me feel sad, uncomfortable, embarrassed, or upset on the screen.

I understand that this agreement will help me to stay safe and I agree to follow these rules.

I also understand that if I break the rules, I may not be allowed to use the school's computing equipment.

Child's Signature

Year 3 and Year 4 Acceptable Use Agreement

 My Learning	• I will be respectful when I use a school device (PCs, laptops, tablets/ ipads) for my learning and tell a teacher if something is not working properly or I am struggling. My School Accounts • I will keep my usernames and passwords safe and secure - I will not share them. • I will not use anyone else's username and password. • I will only use apps, programs, or websites that my teacher has told me to use. • I will save only schoolwork on school systems.
 Using technology @school	My conduct as a Digital Citizen • I know that I can talk to my teachers about my digital footprint and if I see content or somebody has made me feel sad, uncomfortable, embarrassed, or upset on the screen, I can tell them. • I will respect other people's work and property and will not access, copy, delete any other user's files. • I know that I should check the content on websites as not everything is real or true.
 Using technology @home 	My online world content • I understand that certain sites and games have age restrictions to keep me safe. • I understand that by accessing such sites and games, I may be putting myself at risk of accessing inappropriate content and cyberbullying. • I will tell a trusted adult if I see content or somebody has made me feel sad, uncomfortable, embarrassed, or upset on the screen. My online world contact • I will be aware that new friends made online may not be who they say there. • I will be aware of what information cannot be shared between my friends. • I will be polite and responsible when I communicate with others online. • I will not use inappropriate language and I understand that others may have different opinions than me. My online world conduct • I understand that spending too much time online is not always good for me. • I understand that content I share online can still be there even after I have deleted it. • I will tell a trusted adult if I see content or somebody has made me feel sad, uncomfortable, embarrassed, or upset on the screen. • With the help of a trusted adult I will report any inappropriate content, messages or anything that makes me feel uncomfortable online, using the app/social media reporting tool or other online support agencies e.g. CEOP, Childline, Barnardos.

- I understand that this agreement will help me to stay safe and I agree to follow these rules.
- I also understand that if I break the rules or behave inappropriately online in school, I may not be allowed to use the school's computing equipment.

Child's Signature _____

Year 5 and Year 6 Acceptable Use Agreement

 My Learning	• I will be respectful when I use a school device (PCs, laptops, tablets/ipads) for my learning and tell a teacher if something is not working properly or I am struggling. My School Accounts • I will keep my usernames and passwords safe and secure - I will not share them. • I will not use anyone else's username and password. • I will only use apps, programs, or websites that my teacher has told me to use. • I will log off or shut down a computer when I have finished using it.
 Using technology @school	My conduct as a Digital Citizen • I know that I can talk to my teachers about my digital footprint and can report any unpleasant or inappropriate content, messages or anything that makes me feel uncomfortable when I see it online to a trusted adult. • I know that some websites may present 'opinions' as 'facts'; whilst the popularity of an opinion or the personalities of those promoting it does not necessarily make it true, fair or perhaps even legal. • I will respect other people's work and property and will not access, copy, remove or otherwise alter any other user's files, without the owner's knowledge and permission. • I will not take or distribute images of anyone without their permission.
 Using technology @home 	My online world content • I understand that certain sites and games have age restrictions to keep me safe. • I understand that by accessing such sites and games, I may be putting myself at risk of accessing inappropriate content and cyberbullying. • I will tell a trusted adult if I see content or somebody has made me feel sad, uncomfortable, embarrassed, or upset on the screen. My online world contact • I will be aware that new friends made online may not be who they say they are. • I will be aware of what information cannot be shared between my friends. • I will be aware of regularly checking privacy on apps to keep me safe. My online world conduct • I understand that spending too much time online is not always good for me. • I will be polite and responsible when I communicate with others online. • I will not use inappropriate language and I understand that others may have different opinions than me. • I understand that content I share online can still be there even after I have deleted it. My online world commerce • I understand that there are some sites that have a high risk of me accessing content such as online gambling, inappropriate advertising, phishing and or financial scams. • With the help of a trusted adult I will report any inappropriate content, messages or anything that makes me feel uncomfortable online, using the app/social media reporting tool or other online support agencies e.g. CEOP, Childline, Barnardos.

- I understand that if I break the rules or behave inappropriately online in school, I may not be allowed to use the school's computing equipment.

Child's Signature _____

