

**The George Eliot School
INTERNET ACCESS AND USE**

The internet has been described as “the most effective tool for learning since the invention of writing”. Whether or not this is true, there is no doubt that it can help you enormously in your work in all subjects.

To ensure that you – and everyone else – benefit as fully as possible, we ask you to read what follows carefully, and then to sign it to show that you understand what is expected of you. Parents/Carers must also sign, to show that they too understand.

- I will always use the Internet for a specific purpose or piece of work, and ensure that a member of staff is aware that I am logged on.
- I will not pass on my name or address, or the school’s name and address, or send a picture of myself, or claim to be someone else for any reason. Nor will I use the Internet to arrange a meeting without checking with a member of staff first.
- I will keep my password completely private**, and tell a member of staff if I accidentally learn someone else’s password.
- I will only use chat rooms or user group conference sites at a member of staff’s specific instruction.
- If I accidentally any offensive site, or receive offensive e-mail, I will immediately tell a member of staff. I will only open email attachments if I am sure that they are safe and are needed for my work.
- I understand that the school, and the schools service provider, keeps a record of all the sites that I visit, in the interest of all users.
- I understand that information posted on the internet may not necessary be reliable, and that some sites are sponsored by advertisers. Therefore I will not use the internet to order goods or services for myself or others.
- I understand that if I deliberately abuse the use of the Internet that my Parents/Carers will be informed of my behaviour in line with the school’s behaviour policy.
- I understand that I can only download and save anything on the internet with the express permission of a member of staff.

This slip should be returned on your child’s first day
The regulations should be retained for your future reference.

I..... (Printed Name of student) Have read the Internet Access & Use regulations and agree to abide by them. Signed (student).....
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I have read the above details and give my permission for my son/daughter to have Internet Access. Signed (Parent/Carer).....
