

# **St Bernadette's Catholic Primary School**

Live the Gospel and when necessary use words

Our mission as a Catholic primary school is to provide a catholic education that puts the word of God at the centre of our school. Our purpose is the happiness of all of our community through the pursuit of school-wide excellence; with success measured on our ability to sustain and enhance our position as a thriving example of Christ-centred education.

# **Child Friendly Online Safety Policy**

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As a school we know that being online is an important part of the lives of children, whether this is for educational or personal reasons.

#### Why do we like the Internet?

The internet is good because we can use it to have fun, play games and watch videos and TV. It can be used to keep in touch with family and friends.

We can also use it for schoolwork and we can learn lots of new things.

#### Why can the internet be dangerous?

People can steal your personal information. People could make you feel uncomfortable. We might see or hear unkind things. Not everything online is okay for children. Some emails or messages can contain viruses.

#### Why do we need an Online Safety Policy?

To keep children safe on the internet at home and at school. To make sure children know what to do if they see or hear something that makes them uncomfortable, worried or upset.

#### What are our internet rules?

We must agree to the Acceptable Use Agreement We must ask a grown-up to use the internet. We use only websites that a grown-up has asked us to use. We must never give out our personal information. We must tell an adult if something online makes us worried or concerned . We must never look for, save or send anything that could be unkind, nasty or not for children.

# **Cyberbullying**

Cyberbullying can include the following:

- Threatening or upsetting messages
- Embarrassing photos or videos sent via mobiles or tablets
- Upsetting comments or conversations in chat rooms
- Unpleasant information posted to blogs or social network sites

Any of this behaviour should be reported to an adult

# How does our school keep us safe on the internet?

Grown-ups support us to use the internet safely in school.

School will make sure that filters in school mean that no inappropriate content can be seen in school.

We will learn how to be safe online in our PSHE and Computing lessons.

Staff in school will receive training in keeping us safe online.

School will support our families to understand how they can keep us safe online at home.

# We are SMART online!

<u>S</u> – Keep your personal information SAFE and SECURE

 $\underline{M}$  – Do not agree to MEET anyone from the Internet; they may not be who you think they are  $\underline{A}$  – Do on ACCEPT messages or emails from somebody you don't know.

<u>**R**-</u>REMEMBER do not always trust the information you find on the Internet; it may not be correct. <u>**T**-</u>If something or someone upsets you on the internet TELL a trusted adult in school or at home.