Child's name: ....

Internet and e-mail code of practice for pupils

Please read this document carefully. Only once it has been signed and returned will access to the Internet be permitted. If any student violates these provisions, access to the Internet will be denied and the student will be subject to disciplinary action. Additional action may be taken by the school in line with existing policy regarding school behaviour. For serious violations, suspension or expulsion may be imposed. Where appropriate, police may be involved or other legal action taken.

I/we have read and have discussed the code with our son/daughter and agree to support the school's policy on the use of the Internet.

Signed (Parent/Guardian/Carer) ………………………………………………..……………………..…**Date** ……………..…..

I will

- only use the internet when supervised by a teacher or adult.
- never tell anyone I meet on the internet my home address, my phone number or my school's name, unless my teacher specifically gives me permission.
- never send anyone my picture without permission from my teacher/parents/carer.
- switch off the screen and tell the teacher if I see anything that makes me feel uncomfortable.
- never give my password to **anyone** and I will log off when I have finished using the computer.
- never arrange to meet anyone in person without first agreeing it with my parents/teacher/carer and get them to come along to the first meeting.
- never hang around in an Internet chat room if someone says or writes something which makes me feel uncomfortable or worried, and I will always report it to a teacher or parent.
- never respond to unpleasant, suggestive or bullying e-mails or bulletin boards and I will always report it to a teacher or parent.
- not look for bad language or distasteful images while I'm online and I will report bad language or distasteful images to a teacher or parent if I come across them accidentally.
- always be myself and will not pretend to be anyone or anything I am not.
- not use e-mail to send or encourage material which is pornographic, illegal, offensive or annoying or invades another person's privacy
- not download software from the Internet (including screen savers, games, video clips, audio clips etc).

I know that

- the contents of my e-mail and the sites I visit will be monitored by the Network Manager
- information on the Internet may not always be reliable and sources may need checking.
- the posting of anonymous messages and the forwarding of chain messages is not allowed.

I understand

- I can access only sites and material relevant to my work in school and that I will not be able to use the Internet if I deliberately look at unsuitable material.
- I will not be able to use the Internet if I deliberately hack into the schools' or other systems.