

## **CONSENT INFORMATION**

### **INTERNET PERMISSION**

As part of our curriculum we encourage pupils to make use of educational resources available on the Internet. Access to the Internet enables pupils to conduct research and obtain high quality educational resources from libraries, museums, galleries and other information sources from around the world.

To guard against accidental access to materials which are inappropriate in school we access Internet through Portsmouth City Council which provides an appropriately filtered service. However, it is not possible to provide 100% assurance that pupils might not accidentally come across material that is inappropriate.

Therefore, before they access the Internet we would like all pupils to discuss the attached Internet Code of Conduct with their parents/guardians and then return the attached form.

We believe that the educational benefits to pupils from access to the Internet, in the form of information resources and opportunities for collaboration, far outweigh the potential disadvantages. E-Safety is taught to all pupils, to support them in keeping themselves and others safe.

During lesson time teachers will guide pupils toward specific materials and educational resources. Where pupils are given permission to access the

Internet outside lessons they must agree to access only those sites that are appropriate for use in school.

## **CODE OF CONDUCT FOR USE OF THE SCHOOL'S INTERNET / EMAIL FACILITIES**

This code of conduct applies at all times, in and out of school hours, whilst using school equipment.

Internet access will be provided for you to conduct research and communicate with others but only on the understanding that you agree to follow this code. This code of conduct is not intended to be exhaustive. At all times you should use the Internet in an appropriate and responsible manner.

### **THE CODE**

#### **You should:**

- ✓ Only access sites which are appropriate for use in school. This also applies outside lesson time.
- ✓ Be aware that your actions on the Internet can be seen by others.
- ✓ Be aware that information on an Internet web site may be inaccurate or biased. Try to verify the information using other sources, if possible, before using it.
- ✓ Be careful of what you say to others and how you say it. Never give your name, home address, telephone numbers or any personal information about yourself or others to any strangers you write to or talk with on the Internet. Never arrange to meet strangers who approach you whilst on the computer, anyone can pretend to be someone else. Someone pretending to be a friend may not have your best interests at heart.
- ✓ Treat others as they would expect to be treated, e.g. show respect and be polite.
- ✓ Always tell your teacher or another adult if you ever see, hear or read anything which makes you feel uncomfortable while using the Internet or e-mail.
- ✓ Respect copyright and trademarks. You cannot use the words or pictures that you see on an Internet site without giving credit to the person that owns the site.

You must not copy text or pictures from the Internet and hand it in to your teacher as your own work.

- ✓ Check with a teacher before: Sending e-mail, downloading files, completing questionnaires or subscription forms, opening e-mail attachments.

**You should not:**

- X Send, access or display offensive messages or pictures.
- X Use or send bad, threatening or annoying language nor any language which might indicate hatred against any ethnic, religious or other minority.
- X Intentionally waste resources.
- X Change any personal preferences for Internet use without first asking an adult.
- X Share your password with anyone.

**Please note:**

You should always log out when your session has finished.

User areas on the school network will be closely monitored and staff may review your files and communications to maintain system integrity.

Failure to follow the code will result in loss of access and further disciplinary action may be taken in appropriate. If applicable, external agencies may be involved: certain activities may constitute a criminal offence.

## HOME/ SCHOOL AGREEMENT

| The School will:                                                                                                                                                                         | The Parent will:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | The Child will:                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Offer appropriate curriculum.</li> <li>• Provide a good standard of teaching.</li> <li>• Maintain regular communication with parents</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Encourage a positive attitude to school.</li> <li>• Support their child's learning and attend meetings to discuss their progress.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Respond well in lessons by listening, joining in, working hard and allowing others to do so.</li> </ul>                                                                                       |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Promote high expectations of learning and behaviour.</li> </ul>                                                                                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support the school's policies and guidelines for positive behaviour.</li> <li>• Ensure that their child attends school regularly, is on time and properly equipped.</li> <li>• Notify the school about any absence.</li> <li>• Ensure child's clothing follows school dress code.</li> <li>• Try to ensure that family holidays are not taken in term time and NEVER taken in National Assessment weeks for all year groups.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Keep the school rules.</li> <li>• Attend school regularly, arrive on time and have all the equipment they need.</li> <li>• Follow the school dress code and be tidy in appearance.</li> </ul> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work in partnership with children and parents to celebrate success and to resolve difficulties.</li> </ul>                                      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work in partnership with school and the Education Monitoring Service as appropriate to share concerns and resolve problems.</li> <li>• Recognise and value their child's achievements.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Talk to an adult about any problems and help to sort them out.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                     |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Communicate expectations regarding homework to parents and children.</li> </ul>                                                                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Encourage a positive attitude to home learning.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work hard to complete homework to the best of their ability.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                       |

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Endeavour to provide a pleasant, stimulating, stable and secure environment.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Encourage their child to respect themselves and others and the school environment.</li> <li>• Encourage their child to become a responsible member of the community.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Treat others and the school environment with respect.</li> </ul> |
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### **PARENTAL AUTHORISATION FOR VISITS IN THE SCHOOL LOCALITY:**

Your child will take part in visits in the school locality, of which I would be informed in advance.

### **PERMISSION FOR PHOTOGRAPHS:**

Photographs are occasionally taken of school events and trips for use as school displays, or published in 'The News', the school website, Facebook, the local education authority magazine 'Term Times' or by The Mustard Agency for our prospectus. Photographs are taken of pupils by Cardwell & Simons during the year and will be available to purchase.

***Please note that any photographs or videos taken by parent of schools assemblies and performances etc are strictly for personal use only and must not be shared, or posted on any social media sites.***

### **DATA SHARING**

Please see our Privacy Notice on the school website – [www.fernhurst.portsmouth.sch.uk](http://www.fernhurst.portsmouth.sch.uk) for information of who we share your child's details with.