**ST JOSEPH’S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**E-SAFETY POLICY**

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| **ST JOSEPH’S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL**  **Policy Renewal Date: November 2024**  **Policy Due for Renewal: November 2025** |

We have rules that we teach the children to keep them safe on the internet. These rules are taught as part of the IT curriculum and are displayed in the ICT suite. Furthermore they are taught these rules during assemblies.

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| **THINK THEN CLICK: KEY STAGE 1**    We only use the internet when an adult is with us.  We only click on buttons or links when we know what they do.  We only search the internet when an adult is with us.    We always ask when we get lost on the internet.  We only send and open emails when we are with adults.    We only write polite and friendly emails and we only write them to people that we know. |

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| **THINK THEN CLICK: KEY STAGE 2**  We always ask permission before using the internet.  We only use websites that an adult has chosen.    We tell an adult if we see anything that we are uncomfortable with.  We immediately close any webpage we are not sure about.  We only e-mail people that an adult has approved.  We only send e-mails that are polite and friendly.    We never give out personal information or passwords.  We never arrange to meet anyone that we don’t know.  We never open e-mails sent from people that we do not know.    We do not use internet chatrooms. |

**E-SAFETY RULES**

These e-safety rules help to protect our students and our school by describing acceptable and unacceptable computer use.

* The school owns the computer network and will set the rules for it’s use.
* It is a criminal offence to use a computer or a network for a purpose not permitted by the school.
* Irresponsible use may result in the loss of network or internet access.
* All network and internet use must be appropriate to education.
* Messages shall be written carefully and politely at all times.
* Anonymous messages and letter chains are not permitted.
* Users must always take care not to reveal any personal information through e-mail, blogs or messaging.
* The school ICT systems must not be used for private purposes unless the Head Teacher has given specific permission.
* Copyright and intellectual property rights must always be respected.
* The school may exercise it’s right to monitor it’s own systems and delete any material that it deems inappropriate.