

## **Internet Permission Form**

As part of the school's Information and Communication Technology (ICT) programme, we offer pupils supervised access to the Internet, the global network of computers. Before being allowed to use the Internet, all pupils must obtain parental permission: please sign in the space below as evidence of your approval and acceptance of the school rules on this matter.

Families should be warned that although we have filtering in place in school, through our choice of Service Provider, some material accessible via the Internet might contain items that are illegal, defamatory, inaccurate or potentially offensive to some people. Whilst our aim for the use of the Internet is to further educational goals and objectives, pupils may find ways to access other materials as well. Ultimately parents and guardians of minors are responsible for setting and conveying the standards that their children should follow when using media and information sources. To that end, the school supports and respects each family's right to decide whether or not to apply for access.

As a parent or legal guardian of the pupil who this log book belongs to, I grant my permission for my son or daughter to use electronic mail and the Internet. I understand that pupils may be held accountable for their own actions. I also understand that some materials on the Internet may be objectionable and I accept responsibility for setting standards for my son or daughter to follow when selecting, sharing and exploring information and media.

Parent/Carer's signature	

There is an acceptance policy for your child to agree to on line. They are encouraged to read this fully before accepting the terms set out. They will be asked on a regular basis to do this

## **General Rules**

Pupils are responsible for good behaviour on the Internet. Pupils may be excluded for inappropriate use of the Internet. In particular, e-mails and "chat room conversations" should not contain messages that contravene our school's Anti-Bullying Policy.

Access to the Internet is a privilege, not a right and that access requires responsibility. Individual users of the Internet are responsible for their behaviour and communications over the network.

Staff reserve the right to review files and communications to ensure that users are using the system responsibly.

Users should not expect that files stored on servers or disks will always be private. During school, teachers will guide pupils towards appropriate materials. Outside of school, families bear responsibility for such guidance, as they must also exercise this with information sources such as television, telephones, movies, radio and other potentially offensive material.