

E-safety Pupil Policy



Our understanding of e-safety

As a school, we know that new technologies have become integral to children and young people in today's society. Here at Byers Green Primary School, we understand that the internet and other digital information technologies are powerful tools, which open up new opportunities for everyone. We enjoy using computers and we believe everyone has an entitlement to safe internet access at all times. We understand that there are risks associated with using the internet and we discuss this on a regular basis in school. At the start of each academic year, we learn about E-safety as part of our computing curriculum.

This policy will help you understand what e-safety is and how to stay safe online.

How do we stay safe online?

We follow the SMART targets at Byers Green Primary School to help us remember how to stay safe when using the internet.

S - Safe

M - Meet

A - Accepting

R - Reliable

T - Tell



Safe

We understand you should not share your personal information with others online. This can include your full name, phone numbers, address, email address, photos and videos.

Meet

We acknowledge the danger of meeting people who we don't know. We use the term 'stranger danger' to help remind us that we can't trust people we don't know. We know that if someone online asks us to meet up we should report it to a trusted adult straight away.

Accepting

We know that you should never click on something that pops up on the computer as it could contain viruses. We shouldn't accept something if we are unsure of who the person is.

Reliable

We understand that we can't trust everything we see online as it might not be true.

Tell

Our advice is to tell a trusted adult such as a parent, grandparent or teacher if you see something you are uncomfortable with.

How can we help and support each other?

At Byers Green Primary School, we believe it is important to support our friends in staying safe while accessing the internet. It is our role to help the younger children remember the SMART targets and we will support them and each other during our primary school journey to stay safe online.



Our Rights

We have a right to a safe curriculum and therefore our school will ensure that internet access will be designed specifically for us, which includes appropriate content filtering. Websites will be checked by our teachers to make sure they are appropriate to use. Our school protects us by using web-filtering, which blocks access to social media sites, chat rooms and online gaming sites.

Our Responsibilities

It is our responsibility to sign the 'Pupil Acceptable Use Policy' that is sent home by our teachers before we access the internet in school. We understand the school's E-safety policy covers our actions outside of school when accessing memberships such as Purple Mash, which are related to the school.

