

BOLTON METROPOLITAN BOROUGH
CHILDREN'S SERVICES



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Dear Parents,

Online Safety

We have recently sent out copies of the Acceptable Use Policy to parents. This document explains the technology your child can access in school and how to use the internet safely at school and at home.

Class teachers have also discussed this policy with all pupils. We have explained that they should never share any personal information or images online and highlighted the importance of speaking to an adult if they see anything online they are uncomfortable with.

We would ask all parents to check their child's internet usage and restrict apps or access to age inappropriate content.

As a school we take a range of preventative measures to safeguard your child:-

Internet Firewall and filtering – for all devices provided by Schools ICT

Our internet is protected by Sophos UTM – industry leading firewalling / filtering.

Internet access logging is to this local firewall and central servers.

Web content filtering is in place, this includes the IWF and Prevent watch lists for web filtering.

Further information on our filtering is available here: <https://technical.bolton365.net/internet-filtering/>

Data protection against viruses is implemented on the firewall using gateway (UTM) scanning

Filtering levels (access) is determined by Active Directory credentials and is customised for pupils and teachers.

Filtering change requests are online and are only accepted from authorised users. Any changes are security checked before implementation.

The system provides Bolton SICT with full monitoring and reporting.

This web filtering blocks offensive language, adult content, abuse or terrorism content.

JAMF

We use an iPad management system called JAMF. This enables us to further restrict the content and or access to services within the iPad.

Teachers in schools worldwide manage Apple devices through Jam School, creating better learning through fewer distractions.



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Learning Platforms

We use a range of learning platforms to support your child's learning, such as:-

- tapestry (early years)
- google classroom

When we create the google classroom accounts they are done with a random user name, containing your child's initials, we do not use their full names. For example 0362018SH6.

Pupils can complete homework or assignments set by their class teacher or teaching assistant. They are only able to communicate with members of their own class/year group.

Please ensure that your child keeps their password safe, it should not be shared with siblings or friends.

We also use a range of apps to support your child's learning, such as:-

- TTRockStars
- NumBots
- Sumdog
- Spelling Shed

If you have any concerns in relation to online safety at school or would like support with restrictions on your home devices please contact us.

Thank you for your support.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'C-Whalley'.

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