

Brynteg County Primary School

Acceptable Use Policy

New technologies have become integral to the lives of children and young people in today's society, both within schools / academies and in their lives outside school. The internet and other digital information and communications technologies are powerful tools, which open up new opportunities for everyone. These technologies can stimulate discussion, promote creativity and stimulate awareness of context to promote effective learning. They also bring opportunities for staff to be more creative and productive in their work. All users should have an entitlement to safe access to the internet and digital technologies at all times.

Staff and volunteers will be responsible users and stay safe while using the internet and other communications technologies for educational, personal and recreational use.

That schools and users are protected from accidental or deliberate misuse that could put the security of the systems and users at risk.

That staff are protected from potential risk in their use of technology in their everyday work.

The school will try to ensure that staff and volunteers will have good access to digital technology to enhance their work, to enhance learning opportunities for pupil's learning and will, in return, expect staff and volunteers to agree to be responsible users.

Acceptable Use Policy Agreement

Staff will understand that they must use school systems in a responsible way, to ensure that there is no risk to their safety or to the safety and security of the systems and other users. They will recognise the value of the use of digital technology for enhancing learning and will ensure that pupils receive opportunities to gain from the use of digital technology. Staff will, where possible, educate the young people in their care in the safe use of digital technology and embed online safety in my work with young people.

Staff and pupils will sign acceptable use policies clearly stating the expectations. Parental signatures will be obtained to provide consent of the use of virtual learning platforms and be made aware of the new requirements of GDPR.

The effectiveness of this policy will be monitored by the Headteacher, Senior Leadership Team, Digital Leader, Governors and staff.

This policy was adopted by the governing body on December 15th 2020

Chair of governors signed

It will be reviewed in the Summer Term 2023