

Online/e-Safety Information for Parents



Everyone has a role to play in empowering children to be stay safe while they enjoy these new technologies, just as it is everyone's responsibility to keep children safe in the non-digital world.

Please use the following advice to keep your child safe online

- Supervise your children whilst they are using technology.
- Always ensure you know passwords for your children's devices
- As parents/adults you should know what your child is doing online. E.g. Gaming; Fortnite, YouTube, etc.
- Be aware of who your child is talking to online (people are not always who they say they are).
- Check their devices regularly to ensure they are using them safely.
- Check website history regularly to monitor the websites your child is viewing. Do not allow children to delete their history.
- Check your Internet Settings at home. In school sites are filtered at home filtering depends on your settings.
- Contact your Internet Service Provider (ISP) to help with Parental Control settings.
- Give your children time limits. It is recommended that a break should be taken every 20 minutes of using their devices.
- Don't allow children to have their tablets in their rooms at bedtime.

RMUNIFY

RMUNIFY is a safe environment for children to access websites that we use in school. Encourage your child to use RMUNIFY at home through the RMUNIFY link on the top of the school website. www.kates-hill.dudley.sch.uk If you would like a tile added for a website that you use regularly come in and see us and we will add a tile for you.

Social Networking

Did you know most social networking sites are designed for children over 18 years old, or over 13 with parental consent? These include gaming, facebook, twitter, Instagram, Snapchat, Oovoo, etc.

All social networking sites have their own terms and conditions (T&Cs) that you agree to when you create an account. Social Networking have similar T&Cs, read these carefully before signing up.

Technologies in school

The school ensures that pupils are able to use the internet and related communications technologies appropriately and safely. This is addressed through our computing curriculum.

- Pupils may not bring mobile phones to school
- Parents/carers are welcome to take videos and digital images of their children at school events for their own personal use. Please put mobile phone on silent when entering school. However using phones for texting or calls is not permitted around children.
- Any digital communication between staff and pupils or parents/carers (E-mail, Facebook, RMUNIFY etc.) must be professional in tone and content.
- All access to the internet in school is monitored, online incidents are logged. We will notify parents of incidents your child is involved in

Take a look at the school website for further online safety information.

www.kates-hill.dudley.sch.uk

Please come and see us if you would like to discuss any concerns you have about your child's access to the Internet.

To keep children safe they should follow our Acceptable Use Agreements in school and at home. Talk about this agreement with your child.

Electronic Acceptable Use Policy (AUA) for pupils

When I log on I agree that:-



I will only use my own username and password to log on. I will keep my password secret.



I will only use websites that have been suggested by the teacher or a grown up.



I will not give out personal information; tell people where I live, my phone number or where I go to school without permission from the teacher/parent.



I will always ask an adult before sharing photos. I will only share photos that I don't mind everyone seeing.



I will tell a grown up if I feel scared or unhappy about anything I find when using the school computers/laptops.



I will respect school property; I will use the internet, computers and laptops and all other equipment properly.