

Appendix to the Safeguarding and Online Safety Policies in response to COVID-19:

Online Safety and Providing Off Site Teaching

All staff who interact with children and young people, including online, will continue to look out for signs a child may be at risk.

Online teaching should follow usual principles for safe and acceptable use of technology. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Acceptable use of technologies
- Staff pupil/student online relationships
- Communication, including the use of social media
- Minimum expectations
- Online safety
- Essential rules for remote teaching

The school has communicated basic information to parents where online learning platforms are being used which has included:

- Confirmation of online tools and or sites that the school will be using/if using
- Confirmation of what the child may be asked to do online
- Confirmation as to who their child will be interacting with online
- Confirmation as to whether other pupils will be able to access their child via the online platform
- Allowing the parent or carer the opportunity to voice any concerns
- The importance of not leaving the child alone during screen time
- Monitoring the search history
- Maintaining open communication with the child about online safety
- How to report a concern

Parents and carers have also been provided with details/links to support services via the school website e.g. Internet Matters, LGFL, Net-aware, ThinkUKnow, Safer Internet Centre, and National Online Safety Website etc.

The school recognises that not all children will have access to a computer or internet facilities in the home, and has ensured that age appropriate resources have been provided for any child who needs them.