



Aughton St Michael's CE
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Online Learning Policy

With the increased use of online platforms and software to supplement education and to facilitate work, we believe it is important that our pupils start to develop the appropriate skills and behaviours for working in such a way. To aid with this we have developed a policy that clearly sets out the expectations of the school, pupils and parents in regard to Online Learning.

School

- Will only communicate with pupils via the school website on either the Homework or Discussion comment pages.
- Will only reference resources from trusted and/or recommended sites.
- Will share advice/articles to inform parents/guardians about how to use certain sites in a safe and appropriate manner.
- Will remove comments from children that do not represent the school values or would be deemed inappropriate within a classroom setting.
- Will not video chat, phone or otherwise converse with a pupil directly. If this does occur, it should be reported to either the Designated Safeguard Lead (Mrs Zaim) or Deputy Designated Safeguard Lead (Mr Clare).

Pupils

- Will view the comments pages as a classroom and only post comments that they would say in that context to the class teacher.
- Will uphold the school values when interacting on any online platform as directed by the school.
- Are responsible for their own conduct and behaviour when using the internet.
- Will not reveal their passwords to others.
- Can talk to a responsible adult if they are concerned.

Parents

- Will monitor the use of devices at home.
- Are responsible for deciding what software, application and websites are appropriate for their child.
- Are responsible for checking the suitability of any online tutors that they allow access to their child.