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Dear Parent or Guardian,

### **Responsible use of the internet**

As part of the schools development of information communication and technology (ICT) skills, we offer pupils supervised access to the internet. Pupils will eventually be able to exchange electronic mail with partner schools and research information from museums, libraries, news providers and suitable web sites as part of their programme of learning.

Although there have been concerns about pupils having access to undesirable materials, we take positive steps to deal with that possibility. The school operates a filtering system that blocks access to know inappropriate materials. All our screens are in public view and as stated above, access will be supervised. However, the nature of the internet makes it impossible to ensure that all inappropriate material is blocked.

Before being allowed to use the internet, all pupils must obtain parental permission. I enclose a copy of the rules for responsible internet use that we operate. The school would ask that you and your child read the enclosed guidance documents and then complete the permission form together as evidence of your approval and their acceptance of the school rules on this matter.

In order to support your child's understanding, an additional ICT acceptable use policy is attached and we would ask you to encourage your child to complete and return this to school.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs W Nelson  
Head teacher

