## **Madeley Nursery School**

Children love using technology and are learning to navigate websites, online games and consoles and touch screen technology like tablets and smartphones from a younger and younger age. Madeley Nursery School has e-safety and internet use policies which all staff, students and volunteers follow.

- Our internet access is designed expressly for our children and includes filtering appropriate to the age of our children
- Children will use the internet with the direct support and supervision of staff
- Internet access will be planned to enrich and extend learning activities
- Staff will guide children in on-line activities that will support learning outcomes planned for their age and maturity
- Staff will check that the sites pre-selected for child use are appropriate to their age and maturity
- No camera phones or cameras are allowed in the nursery except for those used by staff to record learning. Visitors must place their cameras, camera phones / smart phones in the basket in the main office.

## Cyber bullying and e-safety

New media technology means that the ways in which children are accessing online content are changing and ever evolving.

We recommend that young children are never left alone with technology that links to the internet such as tablets, smart phones or games consoles.

We recommend that parents always set high-levels of parent controls on equipment including, computers, tablets, smart phones, games consoles. Talk to a member of staff at nursery if you require any further information or advice on e-safety.

## The NSPCC provide the following advice for parents of children under 5 years old.

You should start talking to your child about keeping safe online at an early age. It's easier to have conversations about online safety little and often, rather than trying to cover everything at once.

Set boundaries from the start. It makes it easier than trying to play catch-up at a later stage.

Check that websites are suitable before your child visits them.

Look for websites that have parental pages that explain how the site works and how they keep your child safe.

Ensure your home page is set to a child-friendly website.

Talk to friends about what websites their children use.

Play games with your child to get them used to being online.

Set 'Safety Mode' up on YouTube to help filter out explicit content.

If you use Google, turn on Google 'Safe Search' to filter sexually explicit content from your search results.

Here are some useful links for parents and carers to get more information about e-safety:

Digital parenting magazine with	Online magazine with advice for parents. (N.B. The file is very large and may take a while to download, depending on the speed of
advice for parents.	your internet connection.)
<u>Kidsmart</u>	For two online stories 'The Adventures of Smartie the Penguin' and 'Digiduck's Big Decision'to use with your children aged 3-7 years that give internet safety advice click left:

NSPCC	Have a wide range of resource for parents/carers about online safety.
<u>KidsandMedia</u>	Wide range of help for parents. Focused questions across a wide range of topics.
CEOP	If you are suspicious about the behaviour of others online, reports can be made to CEOP  Reporting abuse and links to Think-U-Know resources.
SWLG	Provide resources and advice for online safety.
<u>Facebook's</u> <u>Safety Centre</u>	Advice for teachers and parents/carers.
Get Safe Online	Is a joint initiative between the Government, the National Crime Agency, and public and private sector supporters from the world of technology, communication, retail and finance to raise awareness of internet security.
<u>GetNetWise</u>	
National Bullying Helpline	Support for adults.
Childline	
Cyber Street	A new website launched by HM Government. Be Cyber Streetwise is a cross-government campaign, funded by the National Cyber Security Programme, and delivered in partnership with the private and voluntary sectors. The campaign is lead by the Home Office, working closely with the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills and

	the Cabinet Office. We aim to measurably and significantly improve the online safety behaviour and confidence of consumers and small businesses (SMEs). On this website we've collected links to all the great resources produced by partners, helping you find the information you need to protect yourselves, your families and your businesses.
<u>Childnet</u> <u>International</u>	Information to keep your child safe online
Internet Watch Foundation	Are the UK Hotline for reporting criminal online content; reports are confidential and can be made anonymously.
Department of Education	Advice for parents on cyber bulling.

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