

SOUTH MORNINGSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL COMPUTER/ INTERNET ACCESS RESPONSIBLE USE POLICY

In school we have wireless internet access. This wonderful resource allows us access to unlimited information, images, media clips, etc. from all over the world.

It is important that our children make responsible use of this resource and know how to keep themselves safe.

Children will cover a number of 'Keeping Myself Safe' modules that deal with aspects of online safety.

However, there are a number of common sense rules to follow.

You may not use the internet to obtain:

- Copyright or trade secret material
- Information related to criminal activity
- Obscene or offensive material
- Subversive or threatening material
- Services or access for which a fee is chargeable
- Computer virus or other harmful software
- Software without the appropriate licence

You must follow the general "Netiquette" rules of the online community.

These are:

- Be polite
- Do not swear or use vulgar language
- Do not harass or disrupt other users
- Do not give anyone's e mail address, home address or telephone number including your
 own

You must not intentionally break any network security or interfere with systems performance:

- Never give your password to anyone
- Never try to find out or use someone else's password
- Do not try to access another's account
- Tell your teacher immediately if you think someone is using your password or e mail
- Report any unwanted communication to your teacher

Remember to be a Responsible User and to keep yourself safe!