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Dear Parent/Carer

Internet Permission Form

As part of the school's ICT programme we offer students supervised access to the Internet, the widely available global network. Before being allowed to use the Internet, all students must obtain parental permission and both they and you must sign and return the enclosed form as evidence of your approval and their acceptance of the school rules on this matter.

Access to the Internet will enable students to explore thousands of libraries, databases, and bulletin boards while exchanging messages with other internet users throughout the world. Families should be warned that there is some material accessible via the Internet that contains items that are illegal, defamatory, inaccurate or potentially offensive to some people.

Whilst our aim for Internet use is to further educational goals and objectives, students may find ways to access other materials as well. We believe that the benefits to students of access to the Internet, in the form of information resources and opportunities for collaboration, exceed any disadvantages. But ultimately, parents and carers of minors are responsible for setting and conveying the standards that their children should follow when using media and information sources. To that end, the school supports and respects each family's right to decide whether or not to apply for access.

During school, teachers will guide students towards appropriate materials. Outside of school, families bear the same responsibility for such guidance as they exercise with information sources such as television, telephones, movies, radio and other potentially offensive media.

We would be grateful if you could read the enclosed guidance documents and then complete the permission form which follows. You can also have full access to our E-safety Policy document on our school website or you can request a copy from the Headteacher.

Yours sincerely

R Crane
Headteacher