

Internet Accessibility Policy for Broadwood Central School Faisalabad

Responsibilities of the school include

- (1) Dissemination and development of an awareness of the issues and risks of using ICT in schools, alongside the benefits.
- (2) The assigned staff members will be helped for implementing policy and procedure.
- (3) Ensuring appropriate funding is authorized for Internet safety solutions, and training as recommended by the Principal (or designated member of staff)
- (4) Promoting Internet safety to parents, and providing updates on internet safety policies within the annual report.

Teaching Students to assess the internet

- (1) It is very unlikely that the students see inappropriate content in books due to selection by publisher and teacher.
- (2) The school head has the responsibility to ensure that the copying and subsequent use of Internet derived materials by staff and students complies with the law.

E-mail regulations

Recognizing that E-mail is an essential tool of communication within education. The school would ensure that facilities for filtering e-mail for viruses are regularly updated. E-mail content **will not be considered private.**

- (1) E-mail must only be used in school for educational purposes;
- (2) In-coming e-mail will be regarded as public.
- (3) The forwarding of chain letters will be banned, as will the use of chat lines.

Monitoring the internet usage

There is a need to address the issue that it is essentially difficult to remove completely, the risk that students might access unsuitable materials via the school system

- (1) In common with other media such as magazines, books and video, some material available via the Internet is unsuitable for pupils.

- (2) The school will supervise students and take all reasonable precautions to ensure that users access only appropriate material.

Further Considerations

The Internet is the modern technology. New applications are being developed to use this ability to communicate. Many of these facilities however have great potential for education.

Internet access is a necessary part of the education curriculum.

- (1) All students have access to the Internet
- (2) Parents will be informed that pupils will be provided with supervised Internet use. Parents will be asked to sign and return a permission form.
- (3) Staff will be asked to sign a declaration ensuring accountability for safe internet use.
- (4) Students and teachers will be informed that Internet use will be supervised and monitored.
- (5) If staff or students discover unsuitable sites, the URL (address) and content will be reported to the Internet Service Provider.
- (6) Students will be encouraged to tell a teacher immediately if they encounter any material that makes them feel uncomfortable.