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Dear Parents,

### **Responsible Use of the internet**

As part of the pupils' curriculum, St Michael's provide supervised access to the Internet including email. We believe that the use of the Internet is worthwhile and is an essential skill for children as they grow up in the modern world.

Obviously, we are concerned about pupils having access to undesirable materials, therefore, we have taken positive steps to deal with this risk in school. Our school Internet Access Provider operates a high security filtering system that restricts access to inappropriate materials. Please remember that this may not be the case with your Internet Service Provider at home.

Whilst every endeavour will be made to ensure that suitable restrictions are placed in the ability of children to access inappropriate materials, South Gloucestershire Council cannot be held responsible for the nature or content of materials accessed through the Internet. The Council will not be liable under any circumstances for any damages arising from your child's use of the Internet.

On our school website, Facebook and Twitter pages, we would wish to use photographs to show many aspects of school life. We propose to use general shots of classroom or group activities and they **would not be captioned with the children's names**. We ask that parents consent to the school taking and using photographs and images of their children in these circumstances. However, on occasions close-up photographs of individual children may be used and specific permission from the parents concerned will be sought. Any use of pupil images is underpinned by our ESafety Policy. We may also feature children's work and any child whose work is chosen would only be referred to by their first name.

On the attached consent form, there are boxes for you to sign if you give permission for photographs of your child to be used. Empty boxes will be classed as you **not** giving permission.

I enclose a copy of the Rules for Responsible Internet use that we operate at St Michael's. A copy of the school's ESafety policy is available on request at the School Office.

Yours sincerely

Mr A Vye



## St Michael's Primary School

### Use of digital images

|  |                                   |
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| Name of Child:   |                                   |
| Name of Parent or Guardian:  |                                   |
| I consent to digital images of the child named above, appearing in/on: <b><u>(please tick boxes as appropriate)</u></b>      |                                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/>   | St Michael's printed publications |
| <input type="checkbox"/>   | School Facebook Page              |
| <input type="checkbox"/>   | School Twitter Page               |
| <input type="checkbox"/>   | School Website                    |
| I understand that the images will be used only for educational purposes and that the identity of my child will be protected. |                                   |

### Responsible Internet Use

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| <b>Pupil's Agreement (parents of Reception and Year 1 pupils should sign for them)</b>   |       |
| I have read and understood the school's Rules for Responsible Internet Use. I will use the computer system and Internet in a responsible way and obey these rules at all times.  |       |
| Signed:  | Date: |
| <b>Parent's Consent for Internet Access</b>  |       |
| I have read and understood the school's Rules for Responsible Internet Use and give permission for my child to use email and the Internet. I understand that the school will take all reasonable precautions to ensure that pupils cannot access inappropriate materials and I accept responsibility for setting standards for my child to follow when selecting, sharing and exploring information and media. |       |

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_