Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Policy for Visitors

Purpose and Scope

This policy outlines the guidelines for visitors who wish to use their personal devices on the College premises to ensure the security and integrity of the College's network and data, with a particular focus on safeguarding children and promoting online safety.

Policy Statement

Visitors are permitted to use their personal devices on the College premises in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in this policy, which includes adherence to safeguarding and child protection measures.

Responsibility

Visitors are responsible for ensuring that their devices comply with the College's security and safeguarding requirements and do not pose a threat to the College's network, data, or the safety of vulnerable children.

Device Registration

All personal devices must be registered with the College's wireless network '**ESC Guest'** prior to connecting to the College network, with a declaration that the device contains no illegal content or materials that could harm children.

Security and Safeguarding Requirements

Devices must have up-to-date antivirus software and must adhere to the College's security protocols.

Terms of Use

- Access to the College's internet services will be granted upon acceptance of the college's terms and conditions, which includes measures to protect vulnerable children from dangers online.
- The network will not be used for any purpose that is unlawful or otherwise prohibited.
- You are solely responsible for the activity on your device.
- **Devices connecting to the college's wireless network are subject to web filtering and monitoring policies to protect learners, staff, and visitors.** This includes the use of content filtering technologies to prevent access to inappropriate material and the monitoring of online activities to ensure the safety of all users, especially children.
- Visitors should not take photographs or capture images on any devices when on College premises without explicit permission from a member of the Senior Leadership Team.
- Parents are **strictly prohibited** from posting images of other children taken at College events on social media platforms without obtaining explicit consent from the parents or guardians of the children depicted in the images. This policy is in place to respect the privacy and security of all students.
- Visitors are **strictly prohibited** from communicating with students via social media or exchanging personal contact details with them. This measure is in place to ensure the safety and privacy of students and to maintain professional boundaries.
- Any violations of this policy may result in the suspension of network access and other disciplinary actions.

Review and Amendments

This policy is subject to review and amendments to reflect changes in technology, legal requirements, College procedures, and safeguarding practices.

Contact Information

For any questions or concerns regarding this policy, visitors should contact the College's IT department or the Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL).