

# Tividale Community Primary School

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Dear Parents,

## The Internet and use of email in school

As part of our school's curriculum, pupils are provided with supervised access to the Internet. We believe that use of the Internet and e-mail is worthwhile and is an essential skill for children as they grow up in the modern world. They obtain a rich variety of resources from around the globe to enhance their studies as they research information from museums, libraries, educational organisations and a range of other suitable web sites. They will also learn to exchange e-mails with pupils across the school.

Children are aware of internet safety rules and taught how to use the Internet responsibly. We have provided a copy of the Acceptable Use Policy that the children follow at school. Please take the opportunity to discuss this with your child and think about how these safety rules can be used at home.

The children have access to a school email account. This allows the children to exchange emails with everyone in school and complete a number of computing projects. All emails sent and received to the accounts can be viewed by the staff at school. When the children are introduced to their account they are taught how to use their account responsibly, how to use their email account to send emails to people they know in school. Children are instructed that they must only use this email account for school purposes. On no occasion should they be sending any emails to any address which is not a school account - @tividale-pri.sandwell.sch.uk. Neither must they use this account to sign up to any games or apps. If you have any queries regarding your child's account please come and speak to us.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs E R Burnell  
Headteacher