

Social Networking

All Social Networking sites are banned by the schools filtration system. When a pupil logs in, they are not able to access any Social Networking sites such as Facebook or MySpace etc. More information and useful links can be found on the 'parents and carers' page on our school website under the e-safety tab.

There are links to support you if you or your child has any issues online and there is a handy link to show you how to set the 'Facebook' privacy settings to keep safe.

Data Protection

To see more information and MHS Data Protection and eSafety policies.

Please visit our website:

www.melland.manchester.sch.uk

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Melland High School Safe Internet Use Guidance

S Stay Safe
Don't give out your personal information to people / places you do not know.

M Don't Meet Up
Meeting someone you have met online is dangerous. Always check with a trusted adult

A Accepting Files
Accepting emails, files, pictures or texts from strangers can cause problems.

R Reliable
Check information before you believe it. Is the person or website telling the truth?

T Tell Someone
Tell an adult if someone or something makes you feel worried or uncomfortable.

How Safe is our school

The Internet is a wonderful resource and it is a fact that the education of pupils has been vastly enriched by its use, however, the Internet does not police its own content and we as a school have to meet that responsibility ourselves to ensure the safety of our pupils and staff.

This leaflet sets out some of the ways in which we achieve this.

Use of Internet

Melland High School Internet filtration system meets the current Becta standard which is constantly updated.

This ensures that the pupils cannot visit any harmful sites or be exposed to any accidentally. The acceptable use policy explains what the filters remove and why.

Use of E-mail

Each pupil has access to an e-mail address. E-mails can only be sent after the content and who they are going to has been checked by a responsible adult in the school.

The same filtration system that looks after web browsing also looks after incoming and outgoing e-mails to prevent undesirable content. Most e-mailing is done between our partner schools.

Passwords

Pupils are issued with passwords so that their personal work folders and e-mails cannot be interfered with by others who do not know their password. Virus scanners and filtration scanners constantly monitor all areas to ensure the content of pupil's folders is within the safety guidelines.

Cyber Bullying

It is possible to monitor network usage and if we had suspicions or concerns over any activity that is targeted to harm another pupil or member of staff, we would be able to trace the source and deal with it in accordance with the schools discipline policy.

Data Protection

At Melland High School we take Data Protection very seriously as it is of paramount importance that the care, education and wellbeing we give to our pupils is also mirrored in our responsibility and care we give their personal details on our computer systems. We have Becta industry standard security which is almost impregnable to any external hacking attempts.