

Safe Internet Use

Quackers Out of School Clubs recognises that the internet is a useful resource for both staff and children, for purposes of homework. However, it must be used with care to ensure that children are kept safe from exposure to harmful material, in accordance with the EYFS safeguarding and welfare requirements and the Prevent Duty. Most clubs will NOT use computers during session, but if they are used, we have put in place the following safeguards to keep children safe whilst accessing the internet at club:

- Internet access is only allowed via a school's computer that has been set up for student use. At no time can a child use their own mobile or tablet to access the internet
- A risk assessment (verbal by asking the school) has been undertaken to ensure the School has already restricted contents available to anyone logging on to that which is suitable for their age.
- Staff keep a close eye on children and the sites that they are accessing when they use the internet.

If, despite the safeguards the Club has put in place, a child encounters harmful material on the internet, or receives inappropriate messages, or experiences online bullying, whilst using the Club's computers, the manager will be informed and the incident will be noted on an Incident Record in the child's file. The manager will investigate how to prevent a reoccurrence of the incident and if this was on the school's computer it will be reported to the school.

If staff at the Club become aware that a child is deliberately attempting to access sites containing sexual, extremist or otherwise inappropriate material, or has been shown such material by a third party, they will complete a Logging a concern form and refer the matter to the Club's designated Child Protection Officer in accordance with our Safeguarding Children Policy.