



# JAMES COOK LEARNING TRUST

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Dear Parents and Carers

Online Safety is an important part of keeping children safe at James Cook Learning trust. We can only be successful in keeping children safe online if we work with you to ensure that safety messages are consistent and that all members of the community behave safely and appropriately online.

We are writing to you to request your support in ensuring that our children have responsible online role models when posting and sharing content on social media sites. Whilst we are all entitled to have our own views and opinions, we would like to ask that all members of our community consider how our comments may be misunderstood or misinterpreted when shared online, and the possible impact and consequences on others of our online actions.

Staff across the Trust work extremely hard for the benefit of all our pupils, however we recognise that on some occasions you may feel as though we could have done better. If parents have any concerns or complaints regarding any of the schools within the Trust, then we would like to request that they be made using official channels, so we can work together to help resolve the concerns. The complaints procedure and other relevant policies (such as behaviour or child protection policies) are available online via each schools website or upon request at each school office.

As responsible adults, it is important we all consider the potential impact and implications of online behaviour for ourselves and our families, as well as other members of the community. Each of our schools are keen to work in partnership with parents and carers to promote responsible internet use and acknowledge how important your role is in setting a good example of positive and responsible online behaviour for your child.

More information about online safety can be found at the following places:

- [www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents)
- [www.saferinternet.org.uk](http://www.saferinternet.org.uk)
- [www.childnet.com](http://www.childnet.com)
- [www.nscpsc.org.uk/onlinesafety](http://www.nscpsc.org.uk/onlinesafety)
- [www.internetmatters.org](http://www.internetmatters.org)

Yours sincerely

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