



## **Home School Online Learning Platform Agreement March 2020**

**Belmont is a welcoming school where everyone is expected to follow Belmont goals and Beliefs create a positive partnership between home and school.**

**This Home School Online Learning Platform Agreement has been set up in response to the current COVID-19 outbreak, which is leading to school closure. We want to ensure that we continue to promote your child/rens learning journey while the school may be closed. This is an interim arrangement which we are trialling for the first time. The use of the Online Learning Platform will be reviewed when the school reopens.**

**We hope that you will welcome this opportunity to work in partnership with us to ensure that your child/ren enjoy their '*Exploration of Learning*' during school closure and continue to be successful at Belmont.**

**The purpose of this policy is to:**

- Set out the key principles expected of all members of the school community at Belmont School with respect to the use of Online Learning Platform based technologies.
- Safeguard and protect the children and staff of Belmont School.
- Assist school staff to enable children to work safely and responsibly whilst using the platform and other communication technologies.
- Set clear expectations of behaviour and codes of practice relevant to responsible use of the internet for educational, personal or recreational use.
- Have clear structures to deal with online abuse such as cyberbullying which are cross referenced with other school policies.
- Ensure that all members of the school community are aware that unlawful or unsafe behaviour is unacceptable and that, where appropriate, disciplinary or legal action will be taken.
- **Learning will be set and reviewed by teachers on a weekly basis; subject to teachers being fit to work during the COVID-19 outbreak.**
- **Pupils will complete the set learning if they are fit and well during the COVID-19 outbreak.**

The teaching staff will be responsible for:

- Setting appropriate learning for the class.
- Will have read, understood and signed the Staff Acceptable Use policy (AUP). Staff should be aware that traffic will be monitored and traced to the individual user; discretion and professional conduct is essential.
- Reporting any suspected misuse or problems to the Headteacher for investigation, action or sanction.
- All digital communications with pupils and parents/carers should be on a professional level and only carried out using official school systems.
- Online safety is embedded into their teaching and that sites are checked for suitability before using them with the pupils.
- Staff will always use a child friendly safe search engine when accessing the web with pupils.
- **Teaching staff will not engage in conversations with pupils or parents via the Online Platform.**

The parent/carers will be responsible for:

- Supervising your child/ren when they are using the Online Learning Platform.
- Ensuring that your child completes the set tasks.
- Taking reasonable precautions to keep your children safe and prevent them from accessing and sharing inappropriate materials.
- Understanding that internet and device use in school, and use of school-owned devices, networks and cloud platforms out of school may be subject to filtering and monitoring. These should be used in the same manner as when in school.
- Promoting positive online safety and model safe, responsible and positive behaviours in my own use of technology at home, including on social media: not sharing others' images or details without permission and refraining from posting negative, threatening or violent comments about others, including the school staff, volunteers, governors, contractors, pupils or other parents/carers.
- Respecting school staff and will communicate via the office email: [office@belmont.harrov.sch.uk](mailto:office@belmont.harrov.sch.uk)
- **Understanding that teachers will provide feedback on pupils learning as and when.**

The pupils will be responsible for:

- Adopting good online safety practice when using digital technologies outside of school and understanding that the school E- Safety and Acceptable Use of ICT Systems policy covers their actions out of school, if related to school (AUP).
- Reporting any abuse, cyberbullying, misuse or access to inappropriate materials to their teachers.
- Use the Online Platform safely and responsibly.
- Complete online learning tasks set.

