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FOR INFORMATION – YOU WILL SIGN PERMISSION FOR THIS IN ADMISSIONS PAPERWORK ON ENTRY TO THE SCHOOL

Dear Parent,

St John's School Internet Permission Form

As part of the school's Information and Communication Technology (ICT) programme we offer pupils at St John's supervised access to the Internet. In Key Stage 1 this will be as a whole class led by the teacher. Before being allowed to use the Internet however, all pupils must obtain parental permission and we would ask you to sign and return the enclosed form as evidence of your approval and acceptance of the school rules on this matter.

Access to the Internet will enable pupils to explore thousands of libraries and databases, and obtain pictures and information, while in Key Stage 2 they will also exchange messages with other Internet users throughout the world, and fully utilise the school website. Families should be aware that some material accessible via the Internet might contain items that are offensive, or conflict with the Christian principles of our school. Controls are therefore in place to ensure as far as possible that our pupils do not gain access to these materials, and we believe that the benefits to pupils from access to the Internet, in the form of information resources and opportunities for collaboration, exceed any disadvantages.

During school, teachers will guide pupils towards appropriate materials as set out in the school policy, although, in Class R, most of the Internet access will be done as a class rather than individually. Outside of school, we would expect the families of our pupils to bear the same responsibility for such guidance in the use of the Internet as they exercise with information sources such as television, telephones, movies, and radio.

We would be grateful if you could read the attached guidelines and then complete the permission form that follows.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs J Betts

Headteacher

Pupil Guidelines for Internet use

Pupils are responsible for good behaviour on the Internet just as they are in school.

The Internet is provided for pupils to conduct research and communicate with others. Parents' permission is required.

Teachers will review files and communications to ensure that users are using the system responsibly.

All files stored on servers or disks are accessible by teachers.

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Please treat the computers with respect.

Never give any personal information on the Internet. An e-mail address is available for use in school, with teacher permission.

Pupils should always tell a member of staff, or parent, if bad language or distasteful pictures are seen while on the Internet.

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Please complete and return this form as soon as possible:

As the parent or legal guardian of _____, I grant permission for my son/daughter to use electronic mail and the Internet under supervision from a teacher in a class situation.

I understand that pupils may be held accountable for their own actions. I also understand that some materials on the Internet may conflict with the Christian principles of our school, and I accept responsibility for setting standards for my daughter or son to follow when selecting, sharing and exploring information and media.

Parent Signature _____

Name of Pupil _____

Home Telephone _____

Date _____

