



Shropshire Dyslexia Association

Affiliated to the British Dyslexia Association. Charity No 513065

Email: info@thesda.org.uk

Shropshire Dyslexia Association Young Person Online Safety Agreement

The Shropshire Dyslexia Association understands the importance of children being able to use the internet for education and personal development. This includes social media platforms, games and apps. This is particularly important as the SDA are temporarily moving to provide remote lessons in response to the Covid-19 pandemic.

We aim to support children and young people in making use of these in our work. However, we also recognise that safeguards need to be in place to ensure children are kept safe at all times.

This agreement is part of our overarching **code of behaviour for children and young people and teacher/tutors and volunteers**. It will also fit with our overarching **online safety policy, also in development**. If you would like to know more about this, please speak to Sarah Smith, Workshop Designated Safeguarding Lead, your child's workshop teacher, or Karen Mitchell, Chairperson of SDA who is responsible as the Designated Safeguarding Lead..

- You can find more information about online safety from:
learning.nspcc.org.uk/safeguardingchild-protection/online-safety-for-organisations-and-groups.

Child/Young person: please let your your parents/carers and/or workshop teacher read you the following agreement so you can talk about it and understand what you need to do.

Parents/carers: please read and discuss this agreement with your child and then sign it, ask your child to sign it, and return it to the workshop teacher. If you have any questions or concerns please speak to the persons named above or workshop teacher.

Child/Young person's agreement

- ✓ When having a remote lesson with my workshop teacher, I will make sure I am dressed appropriately and that I am using my PC/tablet/device in a room used by my family (lounge, kitchen dining room), not my bedroom.
- ✓ I will sit with my parent/carer or have them nearby while I have my lesson.
- ✓ I will be responsible for my behaviour when using the internet, including social media platforms, games and apps. This includes the resources I access and the language I use.
- ✓ I will not deliberately browse, download or upload material that could be considered offensive or illegal. If I accidentally come across any such material I will report it immediately to my workshop teacher.
- ✓ I will not send anyone any information or material that could be considered threatening, bullying, offensive or illegal.
- ✓ I will not give out any personal information online, such as my name, phone number or address.
- ✓ I will not reveal my passwords to anyone.

- ✓ I will not arrange a face-to-face meeting with someone I meet online unless I have discussed this with my parents and/or my teachers and am accompanied by a trusted adult.
- ✓ If I am concerned or upset about anything I see on the internet or any messages that I receive, I know I can talk to my workshop teacher or Workshop Designated Safeguarding Lead, Sarah Smith.

I understand that my internet use at Shropshire Dyslexia Association will be monitored can be made available to the **Designated Safeguarding Leads**. I understand that these rules are designed to keep me safe and that if I choose not to follow them, Shropshire Dyslexia Association may contact my parents/carers.

Signatures:

We have discussed this online safety agreement and
 (child/young person's name) agrees to follow the rules set out above.

Parent/carer signature.....
 Date.....

Young person's signature.....
 Date

Contact details:

Nominated Designated safeguarding Lead (DSL)

Name: Karen Mitchell, Chair Shropshire Dyslexia Association
 Phone/email: ginimitchell@btinternet.com 07885 731436

Deputy Designated safeguarding Lead (DSL)

Name: Roslyn McCarthy, Deputy Chair, Shropshire Dyslexia Association
 Phone/email: ros.mac@hotmail.co.uk 07787120405

Workshop Designated safeguarding Lead

Name: Sarah Smith, Workshop Tutor, Shropshire Dyslexia Association
 Phone / email: sarahsmith884@btinternet.com 07803909782