



# St. Michael & All Angels Primary School

*The Gospel Values of Love and Respect are at the Heart of Our Community*  
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Dear Parents & Carers,

As you will know, social networking sites such as Facebook, Instagram, WhatsApp, and Twitter have grown in popularity over the last few years.

Most people who use social media are polite and show respect for one another in their postings and comments.

As a school, we want to ensure that parents and carers act as good role models for their children when they use the internet.

At St Michael and All Angels School, we are particularly keen to ensure that no-one connected with the school uses social media to bully, intimidate or cause distress to other people.

There has recently been some coverage of cyber-bullying in the national media. These arise from prosecutions brought by the Criminal Prosecution Service following investigations by the police.

We want to encourage our parents and carers to assist with the well-being of their children. If you feel that you have any issues regarding your child's schooling, please make an appointment to come and talk to us. We are always happy to listen.

As a school family, we believe we should all discourage the use of Facebook, Instagram, WhatsApp and Twitter and other social media to criticise and to make comments about our school and the community it serves.

St Michael and All Angels Primary School is protected by current legislation, including the 2003 Communication Act, the Malicious Communication Act 1988, and the 1997 Protection from Harassment Act.

Therefore, if you use social media, we would ask that you model safe, respectful, and responsible practice for your children to emulate in all your online conversations.

Yours sincerely,

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