

Moulton Pre-School – Social Networking Policy

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Social Networking Policy

Moulton Pre-school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and adults at all times and expects everybody working within this setting to share this commitment.

Policy on Personal use by Staff, Committee Members and all members of Moulton Pre-School of Social Networking and Other Third Party Websites.

Introduction

The Internet provides a number of benefits in which all members of Moulton Pre-School may wish to participate. However, when someone is identified with Moulton Pre-School or discusses their work, they are expected to behave appropriately when on the Internet.

The Internet is a fast moving technology and it is impossible to cover all circumstances.

However, the principles set out in this document should always be followed. If in any doubt then details should be discussed with the Chair Person/Manager.

The intention of this note is not to stop members from conducting legitimate activities on the Internet, but serves to flag-up those areas in which conflicts can arise

Principles

All members at Moulton Pre-school are in a professional position and are responsible for the care and education for Early Years children. Therefore they:

- Must not engage in any activities which may harm the welfare of children or adults in connection with the setting.
- Must not engage in activities on the Internet which might bring Moulton Pre-school or its associated members into disrepute.

Social Networking Sites

Social networking sites provide a great way for people to maintain contact with friends.

However, through the open nature of such sites, it is also possible for third parties (including Moulton Pre-School parents) to access this information.

- Social networking sites allow photographs, videos and comments to be shared with thousands of other users. However, it is not appropriate to share work related information whether written or pictorial in this way. Please refer to our Confidentiality Policy.
- Under no circumstance should comments be made about Moulton Preschool, its staff, children, Committee members or other members on the Internet. Staff members should respect the privacy and the feelings of others.
- If a staff/Committee member or other members believes something has been written which gives rise to concerns within this, or any other, policy this must be discussed with the Chair Person/Pre-school leader.

Failure to adhere to this policy may result in disciplinary action.