

# **eSafety Label - Action Plan**

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By submitting your completed Assessment Form to the eSafety Label portal you have taken an important step towards analysing the status of eSafety in your school. Congratulations! Please read through your Action Plan carefully to see what you can do to improve eSafety further in your school. The Action Plan offers useful advice and comments, broken down into 3 key areas: infrastructure, policy and practice.

# **Infrastructure**

## **Technical security Pupil and staff access to technology**

- > It is good that in your school computer labs can easily be booked. Consider the option of integrating other digital devices into the lessons as using them provides best practise for pupils in dealing with new media. Ensure that safety issues are also discussed.
- You should organise a meeting with other teachers so you can discuss how the school could use social media and digital devices as an aid to learning in the classroom. Look at the outcomes and report from the SMILE project (Social Media in Learning and Education, <a href="http://www.eun.org/teaching/smile">http://www.eun.org/teaching/smile</a>) to learn more about using social media in the classroom.
- > Since staff and pupils can use their own equipment on your school network, it is important to make sure that the Acceptable Use Policy is reviewed regularly by all members of the school and adapted as necessary. It must be discussed with pupils at the start of each academic year so that they understand what is in place to protect them and their privacy, and why. Base the policy around behaviour rather than technology. Visitors must also read and sign the Acceptable Use Policy before they use the school's network.

#### **Data protection**

- > It is good that your school provides training materials on the importance of protecting devices, especially portable ones. Please consider sharing those with others through the in . Also ensure that your materials are regularly reviewed to ensure they are in line with the state of the latest technology.
- It is good that all users are attributed a different password by the system in your school. Remind all school members never to write their given password down anywhere, certainly not on a sticker on a computer! Also, ensure that the Acceptable Use Policy reminds staff and pupils to keep their passwords secure and not share them with others.
- > You have a good policy of keeping your learning and administration environments separate. It is good to ensure that staff training on managing these environments is up to date as you continue to review your policies. Share your policy with other eSafety Label users by uploading it to your school profile.

> There is a retention plan in place for your school detailing how specific school records are stored, archived and disposed. This is very good. Ensure that the plan is followed and review it regularly to ensure it relates to the Data Protection Act and other relevant legislation. Check the according fact sheet for more information.

#### **Software licensing**

- > Ensure that all staff are aware of the procedure for purchasing new software and that all licenses are appropriate for the number of pupils and staff that will be using them. The <a href="End-user license agreement">End-user license agreement</a> section in Wikipedia will provide useful information for understanding terms and conditions and comparing software agreements.
- > It is good that you can produce an overview of installed software and their licences in a short time frame with the help of several people. Consider centralising this.
- > It is important to ensure that all new staff are briefed about the effective processes you have for the installation of new software. This will mean that the security of your systems can be maintained and that staff can try out new software applications that will help teaching and learning.

### **IT Management**

# **Policy**

### **Acceptable Use Policy (AUP)**

- It is good practise that whenever changes are put into place in your school, the school policies are revised if needed. Note though, that also changes outside the school can affect policies such as new legislations or changing technologies. Therefore please review your policies at least annually.
- Regularly review the Mobile Phone Policy to ensure that it is fit for purpose and that it is being applied consistently across the school. The fact sheets on Using mobile phones at school (www.esafetylabel.eu/group/community/using-mobile-device-in-schools) and School Policy (www.esafetylabel.eu/group/community/school-policy) will provide helpful information.

#### **Reporting and Incident-Handling**

- Check that your School Policy includes all necessary information for teachers about handling issues when pupils knowingly or even inadvertently access illegal or offensive material online by going to the guidance set out by the teachtoday.de/en website (tinyurl.com/9j86v84). If such incidents arise in your school, make sure you anonymously fill out the eSafety Label Incident handling form (www.esafetylabel.eu/group/teacher/incident-handling) so that other schools can benefit from your experience.
- > Ensure that all staff, including new members of staff, are aware of the guidelines concerning what to do if inappropriate or illegal material is discovered on a school machine. Ensure, too, that the policy is rigorously enforced. A member of the school's senior leadership team should monitor this.
- > Please share the materials in which you tackle these issues especially with pupils and parents in the of the eSafety Label portal.

It's good that you have a clear School Policy on handling out-of-school eSafety incidents; is the number of these declining? Start a discussion thread in the community on what other preventative measures or awareness raising activities could be used in order to reduce the number of issues further. Don't forget to anonymously document incidents on the Incident handling form (<a href="www.esafetylabel.eu/group/teacher/incident-handling">www.esafetylabel.eu/group/teacher/incident-handling</a>), as this enables schools to share and learn from each other's strategies.

### **Staff policy**

In your school user accounts are managed in a timely manner. This is important as it decreases the risk of misuse.

#### **Pupil practice/behaviour**

- Your school has a school wide approach of positive and negative consequences for pupil behaviour. This is good practice, please share your policy via the <u>My school area</u> of the eSafety portal so that other schools can learn from it
- You have defined electronic communication guidelines in your Acceptable Use Policy and this would be a useful example of good practice for other schools. Can you create a tutorial about electronic communication guidelines for pupils and upload it to your school profile via your <u>My school area</u> so that other schools can benefit from your experience.

## **School presence online**

Check the fact sheet on Taking and publishing photos and videos at school (www.esafetylabel.eu/group/community/taking-and-publishing-photos-and-videos-at-school) to see that your School Policy covers all areas, then upload this section of your School Policy to your profile page via your My school area so that other schools can learn from your good practice.

# **Practice**

#### **Management of eSafety**

- It is good that all staff in your school are responsible for eSafety. However, it is good practice to appoint a person who will have overall responsibility for eSafety issues to provide the focus needed. Ideally this should be someone from the senior leadership team. Ensure that this person is involved in the development and regular review of your School Policy. She or he should not only be informed, but should also fill out the Incident handling form whenever an incident arises at <a href="https://www.esafetylabel.eu/group/teacher/incident-handling">www.esafetylabel.eu/group/teacher/incident-handling</a>.
- Ensure that the governor or board member appointed for eSafety has the opportunity to receive regular training and also to ensure that colleagues are aware of eSafety issues. Involve your governing body in the development and regular review of your School Policy. See our fact sheet on School Policy www.esafetylabel.eu/group/community/school-policy.

#### eSafety in the curriculum

> It is excellent that consequences of online actions are discussed with pupils in all grades. Terms and conditions

need to be read to fully understand contractual conditions. This can also concern aspects of data privacy.

Another important topic is breach of copyright. Please share the materials used through the uploading evidence tool, accessible also via the Myschool area.

> It is good that you are making a specific reference to sexting within your child protection policy as this is a growing issue that many young people are having to deal with. It is also important to ensure that you are providing appropriate education for pupils about this issue.

#### Extra curricular activities

- > Consider sharing the information you have about your pupils' online habits with other schools through the eSafety Label community. You could, for example, upload your latest survey findings on pupils' online habits to your school profile via your <a href="My school area">My school area</a>.
- How do you organise peer mentoring among pupils on eSafety? Check out the resources of the <u>ENABLE project</u> and share your ideas in the <u>forum</u> of the eSafety Label community so that other schools can benefit from your experience to establish a similar approach.

#### **Sources of support**

- It is good to know that other school services are involved in eSafety issues (e.g. counsellors, psychologists, school nurse). Are they also invited to contribute to developing and regular review of your School Policy? Publish a case study about how this is managed in your school on your school profile page on the eSafety Label project website, so that others can learn from your experience.
- > It is great that you have a staff member which is knowledgable in eSafety issues who acts as a teacher of confidence to pupils.

#### **Staff training**

- It should be a real benefit to your pupils that all staff receive regular training on eSafety issues. Continue to gather feedback from staff on the medium- and long-term benefits of the training and consult the eSafety Label portal to see suggestions for training courses at <a href="https://www.esafetylabel.eu/group/community/suggestions-for-online-training-courses">www.esafetylabel.eu/group/community/suggestions-for-online-training-courses</a>.
- It is good practise that you provide information to teachers on the technology used by pupils in their freetime.

  This is important as this awareness is the first step in addressing the issue of powering down for school. At the same time pupils should not be asked to do their homework using technology not available to them outside of schools. You might want to have a look at the <a href="Essie Survey of ICT">Essie Survey of ICT in schools</a>.

The Assessment Form you submitted is generated from a large pool of questions. It is also useful for us to know if you are improving eSafety in areas not mentioned in the questionnaire. You can upload evidence of such changes via the <u>Upload evidence</u> on the <u>My school area</u> section of the eSafety Portal. Remember, the completion of the Assessment Form is just one part of the Accreditation Process, because the upload of evidence, your exchanges with others via the <u>Forum</u>, and your <u>reporting of incidents</u> on the template provided are all also taken into account.