10.15 Little Fishes Acceptable Use Policy

ICT and related technology such as email, the internet and mobile devices are an expected part of our daily working life. This policy is designed to make sure that all staff are aware of their professional responsibilities when using any form of ICT. All staff are expected to read, understand and sign this policy and adhere at all times to its content. If you have any concerns or need any clarification you can talk to the Little Fishes E-safety lead Deborah Johnson.

* I will comply with the Little Fishes E-safety policy.
* I understand that using the setting’s ICT system for a purpose not permitted by Little Fishes may result in disciplinary or criminal procedures.
* I will comply with the ICT system security and not disclose any passwords provided to me by the management team.
* I will only use the setting’s email/internet for professional purposes.
* I will not install any hardware or software without the permission of Sue Wharton or Deborah Johnson.
* I will not browse, download, upload or distribute any material that could be considered offensive, illegal or discriminatory.
* I understand that my use of the internet and other related technologies can be monitored and logged and be made available, if requested as part of any investigation.
* I will respect copyright and intellectual property rights.
* I will only take, securely store and use images of children, young people or staff for professional purposes in line with the setting’s policy and with written consent of the parent, carer or staff member. I will not distribute images outside the setting without the permission of the parent/carer, member of staff or manager.
* I will make sure that my online activity both inside and outside the setting will not bring my professional role and the setting’s reputation into disrepute.
* I will support the setting’s e-safety policy and help children to be safe and responsible in their use of ICT and related technologies.
* I will report any incidents of concern regarding children’s safety to the e-safety lead/ DSL /Managers.
* I understand that sanctions for disregarding any of the above will be in line with the setting’s disciplinary procedures and serious infringement may be referred to the police.

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| This policy was adopted at a meeting of | Little Fishes | name of setting |
| Held on | 9 January 2023 | (date) |
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| Signed on behalf of the management committee |  |
| Name of signatory | Sue Wharton |
| Role of signatory (e.g. chair/owner) | Operations Manager |