

Online Safety

Vault Theatre Academy understands the importance of children being able to use the internet for education and personal development. This includes social media platforms, games and apps. 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 staff and volunteers.

Upon registration with Vault Theatre Academy, your child is hereby agreeing to the following statements:

- 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 the group leader.
- I will not send anyone 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 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 a Head of Academy.
- Whilst attending Vault Theatre Academy, I understand that I am able to have a phone in my possession but that it is not to be used inappropriately during lessons or breaks.
- I understand that I must seek permission from an academy teacher before using my phone unless faced with an emergency situation.
- I understand that these rules are designed to keep me safe and that if I choose not to follow them, Vault Theatre Academy may contact my parents/carers and follow the necessary behaviour procedures in place.