

Al Policy



This policy was updated in September 2025. Review is due for the beginning of September 2026. All changes from previous documents and sections have been highlighted yellow.

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This policy initiated Policy written by Policy to be updated on a three year basis.
(Delete if not applicable) **This policy is currently under review**

Change Log – for 2025/2026

Sections that have changes from the previous POLICY NAME..



Guidelines for the Use of AI in Schools

1. Purpose of AI in Education

- Al is a tool to support learning, creativity, and problem-solving.
- It should **enhance** understanding, not replace critical thinking or original work.
- The school will provide structured access to AI tools under teacher guidance.

2. Access and Regulation

- Students may only use AI tools through **school-approved platforms**.
- Unsupervised use of AI (e.g., through personal accounts or devices) during school hours is not permitted.
- Al access will be filtered and monitored to ensure safe and age-appropriate use.

3. Academic Integrity

- Work submitted for assessment must be the student's **own**.
- Al may be used for:
 - brainstorming ideas,
 - o checking grammar and clarity,
 - o exploring examples or explanations.
- Al must **not** be used for:
 - generating full essays, reports, or exam responses,
 - completing assignments without attribution,
 - bypassing independent thinking.
- If AI is used in the process, students must **acknowledge it** (e.g., "Used AI to check grammar" or "Generated practice quiz questions with AI").

4. Teacher Responsibility



- Teachers will guide students on **ethical Al use** and model best practices.
- Teachers will design assessments that reduce over-reliance on AI (e.g., oral presentations, in-class tasks, project-based work).
- Teachers may use AI for planning, differentiation, and support, but professional judgment remains essential.

5. Safeguarding and Digital Wellbeing

- Al tools must comply with data privacy and child protection policies.
- Students should not share personal information with AI systems.
- Time limits and boundaries will be set to prevent overuse and dependency.

6. Skills Development

- Students will be taught how to critically evaluate Al outputs (e.g., checking for bias, accuracy, reliability).
- Emphasis will be on using Al as a supportive tool, not a shortcut.
- Digital literacy, problem-solving, and independent research remain core expectations.

7. Consequences for Misuse

- Using Al dishonestly (e.g., submitting Al-generated work as one's own) is considered a breach of academic integrity.
- Consequences will follow the school's existing plagiarism and cheating policies.

8. Ongoing Review

- The school will regularly review AI use in line with technological developments, curriculum needs, and safeguarding requirements.
- Feedback from staff, students, and parents will inform updates to these guidelines.

Would you like me to draft this into a **short student-friendly version** as well (like a poster or one-page code of conduct), so it's easy for kids to follow?

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You said:

Please write this a policy that recognises the importance and value of AI, but needs to prioritise the safeguarding of children in line with the relevant guidlines from KCSIE 2025, DFE and Childline

ChatGPT said:

Here's a polished **AI** in **Schools Policy** that strikes the right balance between recognising the transformative potential of AI and prioritising child safeguarding—as required under **Keeping Children Safe in Education (KCSIE) 2025**, **DfE AI guidance**, and support mechanisms like **Childline**.

Al in Education Policy: Safety, Integrity & Opportunity

1. Purpose & Vision

Artificial Intelligence (AI) offers valuable educational benefits: personalised learning, creative support, teacher efficiency, and critical digital skill building. This policy affirms AI as a **supportive educational tool**, always subject to robust human oversight and aligned with safeguarding and academic integrity standards.

2. Compliance with Safeguarding Standards

- Al use by students and staff must comply with KCSIE 2025, including new mandates on monitoring, filtering, cyber resilience, and recognizing misinformation, disinformation, or conspiracy theories as safeguarding risks GeldardsEdTech Innovation HubGOV.UK.
- Schools must complete the DfE "Plan technology for your school" self-assessment and adhere to the "Generative AI: product safety expectations" guidance, ensuring approved tools respect age restrictions and safety norms Geldardsbrownejacobson.com.
- Continuous online-safety training for Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSLs) and staff remains essential, including awareness of emerging AI risks supportservicesforeducation.co.ukEdTech Innovation Hub.

3. Controlled Access & Monitoring

- Students may only access AI via school-authorised platforms, equipped with age-appropriate filtering and monitoring tools. Access to unsupervised AI tools during school hours is strictly prohibited.
- Al activity should be effectively logged; suspicious access or misuse must trigger a safeguarding review.

4. Academic Integrity & Ethical Practice

 Al can assist with brainstorming, proofreading, or practice, but must not generate entire assignments or exam responses. Students are required to acknowledge Al use

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in any work where it contributed.

- Teachers must design assessment formats (e.g., oral tasks, portfolios, in-class activities) that minimise undue reliance on Al.
- Al outputs must be critically evaluated—students and staff should cultivate digital literacy, questioning bias, factual accuracy, and reliability.

5. Human Oversight & Safe Design

- Al usage must follow a human-in-the-loop approach, where staff review Al outputs for safety, curriculum alignment, and appropriateness before use <u>arXiv</u>.
- Al tools adopted should include built-in safeguards, content moderation, and fail-safes to prevent misuse.

6. Data Protection & Privacy

- Use of AI must uphold data protection legislation. Sensitive or personal data must not be input into generative AI systems unless explicit consent and robust safeguards are in place GOV.UK.
- The school must update its **data privacy policies** to reflect Al processes and ensure transparency with students and parents.

7. Safeguarding Support & Reporting

- Where Al-related safeguarding concerns arise, students should be directed to support services like Childline, Shore Space (by the Lucy Faithfull Foundation), or the school's own support mechanisms safeguardinginschools.co.uksupportservicesforeducation.co.uk.
- Staff should be trained to identify risks unique to Al—such as deepfakes, manipulation, or exposure to harmful content—and respond through established escalation procedures.

8. Training & Governance

- Regular CPD sessions on AI risks, ethics, and best practice are mandatory for all staff.
- A working group, comprising teachers, IT leads, DSLs, and governors, shall oversee Al
 implementation, review policies annually, and communicate updates to parents and the
 school community.

9. Review & Accountability

• This policy will be reviewed **annually** or sooner if relevant new guidance (e.g., updated RSHE guidance, AI regulations) emerges <u>Geldardsclassroom.cloud</u>.

AI Policy



• Leadership must ensure full compliance and document audits of Al usage, safeguarding incidents, and risk assessments.

Summary Table

Area Key Measures

Access School-approved AI only; filtering & monitoring

Safeguarding KCSIE compliance; DSL oversight; training

Academic Use Al for support only; attribution required

Human Oversight Staff moderation of Al outputs

Privacy No personal data in AI; comply with data law

Reporting Support Use Childline, Shore Space for concerns

Governance Working group, annual policy review