



# Aston Rowant C+E Primary School

## Photography Policy

### Mission Statement

**Vision:** To be a community of courageous life-long learners, who are rooted in God, live out our Christian values and enjoy life in all its fullness. (Col 2:1-7)

**Mission:** Growing together, rooted in God and inspiring one another through our values and our broad enriched curriculum.

**Strapline:** Growing together, rooted in God, having fullness of life (Col 2:1-7)

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Head Teacher: Mrs H France

Date: 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2025

Chair of Governors: Mr T Sowerby

Date: 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2025

### VISION

Our Vision is that by growing together we inspire each other to achieve our full potential as courageous lifelong learners. This is under pinned by our core Christian values: Gratitude, Resilience, Outreach, Wonder, Trust, Harmony.

### Aims

Aston Rowant Primary School aims to keep all children within its care safe. This includes raising awareness of potential danger through the taking of, and /or distributing of, photographs or moving images. This policy will clarify the rules surrounding photography in school.

### Photography by the School

When children start school their parents/carers will be asked to sign a permissions agreement (Appendix A) so that the school may take photographs, place pictures on the school website, in displays in school, in the media (such as County Press), Facebook and in the School Prospectus. Requests by parents to not grant this permission will be fully respected by the school. A senior member of staff will check all images before public display.

### Photography by Parents & Visitors

Unless **specific permission** is given by a senior member of staff, and it is used in the presence of an agreed member of staff, the use of cameras, video cameras, mobile phone cameras or any other image capturing device on the school premises during school hours or when children are present by parents/carers, visitors or contractors is **not permitted**.

Parents/Carers are permitted to take photographs and recordings of **their** child during class assemblies and on Sports Day but this is a privilege and not a right. Parents are made aware that the school places the responsibility of trust on them to not abuse this privilege. **Any** images which may show a child other than your own must **not** be shared on public networking sites to protect the privacy of vulnerable children. You may place a picture on public networking sites if the image contains **only** your child.

Failure to recognise and comply with the rules for photography may result in the privilege being withdrawn for all parents.

**GRATITUDE    RESILIENCE    OUTREACH    WONDER    TRUST    HARMONY**

*Growing together, rooted in God, enjoying fullness of life. (Colossians 2:1-7)*

### **Photography by Pupils**

Pupils do not take cameras or other photographic devices on school trips. On some residential trips the school will take responsibility for producing pictures which parents can purchase.

Any phones /photographic devices brought into school by children must be left at the school office at the start of the day and retrieved at the end of the day.

Children may use school cameras during some lessons. These sessions will be supervised and images will be used for education purposes within the lesson and for displays in school. All images will be checked by a senior member of staff before being placed in displays.

### **Photography by Staff**

Staff phones/camera phones are allowed to be used in the staff room during break times and may be taken onto the field for emergency use only. If a member of staff needs to make a private call they will inform the senior member of staff present and a room will be found to make the call. They will not be used at any other time unless an emergency occurs. No images of pupils will be taken on personal image recording devices at any time. This is to ensure safeguarding of pupils and staff.

Permission will be asked of staff when they start at Aston Rowant regarding taking and publishing (website, displays and media) of their photographic image. (Appendix B)

Please see Aston Rowant's [Safeguarding & Child Protection Policies](#) for safeguarding contacts.