

Digital Strategy



Bishop Challoner
Catholic Secondary School

Bishop Challoner Secondary School's digital strategy involves integrating technology into learning and communication, focusing on effective digital use and online safety for students and staff. The school uses digital tools for home learning activities including homework and revision, and promotes the use of school email for official communication. The strategy also emphasises the importance of online safety and educates parents and students on responsible technology use.

Integration of digital tools in learning

- Home learning: Digital tools are used for activities like preparing for lessons, reinforcing learning with online quizzes, and performing revision with online resources.
- Flipped learning: Students may use digital resources like videos or readings to learn new material at home, which they then apply in class.
- Online submission and communication: A key component is the use of the school Office 365 email system for all communication with teachers and the school. Some online tasks allow for submission through a dedicated app or website.
- Personalised learning: The school uses a digital strategy to support its overall goal of personalised learning, including for students with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND).

Digital literacy and safety

- Online safety: Bishop Challoner Catholic Secondary School has a strong focus on online safety, which is an ever-growing area of concern. The school provides advice for parents to help their children navigate the risks associated with the internet and social media.
- Responsible use of devices: The school's policy is to restrict the use of mobile phones and other personal devices during the school day.
- IT Acceptable Use Policy Parents and students are required to be aware of and follow the school's IT acceptable use policy for all digital interactions and access to school technology.

Strategic alignment

- Enhanced teaching and learning: Technology is used to improve teaching methods and enhance learning experiences for students.
- Parental support: The digital strategy includes the use of technology to better support parents in assisting their children with their education.
- Future readiness: Digital skills are seen as a tool to develop students' competency for future employment.