**General PRINCIPLES to respect when using eTwinning**

eTwinning is a platform that helps you hone your skills, expand your professional network, and improve the skills of your students. For this reason, eTwinning‘s spirit is based on mutual understanding and respect. Events, messages, posts and everything published on eTwinning must adhere to the following general principles:

  **Be inclusive**. Everyone’s opinions and views are always welcomed and allowed.

 **Do not offend** other eTwinners as individuals.

 **Do not attack** or incite violence against people based on their race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, sexual orientation or gender, and/or as a member of a country, group or minority.

The following rules are some of the key points to be taken into account:

RULES on PICs and VIDEO clips including Students (minors)

eTwinning takes students’ privacy and safety seriously. Avoid posting pictures of pupils on your eTwinning Live profile, TwinSpace, Groups, etc. In case you do, make sure you have parents’ consent or that pupils are not recognisable.

RULES on Private information and Sensitive data

Be thoughtful about content you post that relates to others. You should not share your or other eTwinners' private information - such as personal phone numbers and addresses, credit card details or other private information - or intimate pictures and videos. Always think before you post!

RULES on Intellectual property

Ensure that the content you upload to the platform does not infringe any copyright. Before sharing pictures, videos, documents or any other resources, please make sure you have the right to do so. The eTwinning platform cannot host videos - you will need to upload your video to YouTube, DailyMotion or Vimeo first and then paste the link in eTwinning. Don’t forget to have a look at their copyright policies too