



Tabard IT Ltd

Making Your PCs Work Harder

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Spam



Spam has been more of a problem for the last year or two than viruses sent by email. Whilst most packages will fairly reliably filter out viruses, a lot of spam filtering tends to be hit or miss unless it's set up and maintained correctly.

There are many options out there, and no one solution will work in every case, but the right combination may mean the difference between 200 spams a day (especially annoying if they go to your Blackberry) or one or two. If you need help filtering spam, please don't hesitate to call us to discuss.

Backing Up Your System



If you haven't tested whether your backup has worked by trying to restore a file or two, you should try this as soon as possible. A backup isn't a backup until it's been restored! If you haven't made a backup, now's the time. You've no excuse - hard drives as large as 1Tb (a terabyte is 1000 gigabytes) are now available for under £100, but it's probably better to have two or more 500Gb drives than one 1Tb one, and then you can swap them each time you backup.

But whether you're backing up to hard drives, tapes or over networks, we can help. And if you have a multi-server setup, we can set up file replication which makes automatic copies of your important information, even over the internet. Again, call us for more if you would like more information.

Remote Access to E-mail and More



If you have a Small Business Server at your site, you automatically have the ability to remotely access all of your existing and new e-mails, contacts and diary information. If it's not been setup yet, or if you just don't know how to use it, we can show you how.

Even if you don't have Small Business Server, this is something that can usually be set up with Windows servers. Call for more information if you would like to know how.

Upgrading Your PC



If you're considering upgrading your PC, or if you already have, and want to get the info (files, pictures, music, movies etc) from the old to the new, we can help. We can also show you how to backup your information so you don't lose it if you ever have problems with the new system.

Remember when buying a new system, it may not be possible to just copy the old programs to the new machine - you may need to buy new versions. Call us for help if you're unsure.

Netbooks



Seen someone with a really small neat notebook PC and wanted one? These new tiny laptops are called netbooks and started with the Asus EeePC, but there are many to choose from now.

If you would like to know what these netbooks can (and can't) do, call for more information. We can supply them or just advise, whichever you prefer.

Merry Christmas!



To all our clients, we wish you the very best for the season and a prosperous new year.

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