



USE OF DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY IN SCHOOL POLICY

Policy Statement

The internet provides an opportunity to enhance students' learning experiences by providing access to vast amounts of information across the globe. At Carlton North Primary School (CNPS), we provide opportunities for students to engage with technology to obtain information and develop the skills necessary to filter, analyse, interpret and evaluate information. Online communication links students to a collaborative learning environments and is intended to assist with learning outcomes. We facilitate opportunities for students to use technology to solve problems, create, communicate and collaborate. Today's students are exposed to online communication tools and the internet in their community.

Use of the internet and online communication services provided by our school is intended for research and learning and communication between students and staff. Access to internet and online communication tools at school will assist students to develop the information and communication skills necessary to use the internet effectively and appropriately.

Use of internet networks at CNPS is a privilege dependent on students abiding by a code of acceptable use. They have the right to expect secure access to these services as part of their learning experiences.

This policy sets out guidelines for acceptable use and conduct by students accessing the internet and networks, and the measures taken by the school to ensure responsible use and maintenance of privacy. This policy should be read alongside the Digital Citizenship Agreement, ICT User Agreement for Staff, Acceptable Use Agreement for Digital Devices and Acceptable Use Agreement for Mobile Phones.

Aim

To provide guidelines for internet network use that allow educational goals to be pursued while ensuring responsible use and maintaining the privacy of students, staff and parents/carers.

Guidelines/Implementation

- Responsible use of the services by students, with guidance from teaching staff, will provide a secure and safe learning environment.
- Students using internet and online communication services have the responsibility to report inappropriate behaviour and material to their teachers.
- Students who use the internet and online communication services provided by the Department of Education and Training (DET) must abide by the conditions of acceptable usage. They should be made aware of the acceptable usage policy each time they log on.
- Students should be aware that a breach of this policy may result in disciplinary action in line with their school's discipline policy.

Links and Appendices

Appendix 1 : Digital Citizen Agreement

Appendix 2: Acceptable Use Agreement for Mobile Phones

Appendix 3: Acceptable Use Agreement for Mobile Devices

Appendix 4: Acceptable Use Agreement for Digital Technologies for Staff

Links which are connected with this policy are:

Evaluation

This policy will be reviewed by 2021 or sooner if required.

This policy was ratified by School Council on 9 August 2017.