St Oliver Plunkett Primary School Information Communication Technologies Acceptable Use Policy



Dear Parents,

St Oliver Plunkett Primary School recognises that Student instruction will change as telecommunication and other new technologies alter the ways in which information may be accessed, communicated and transferred through access to online services. St Oliver's also recognises that electronic information research skills are now required as essential knowledge for members of our society and as future employees.

In responding to these changes the school actively supports access by students to the widest variety of information resources. St Oliver's Internet, Intranet and email facilities are used as tools for research, communication and collaboration.

Access is a privilege and not a right. With rights comes responsibility.

Student Responsibility

Students are responsible for appropriate behaviour on the school's computer network, as detailed in the Student Code of Conduct. Individual users of the school network must take full responsibility for their own behaviour and communications over the network. It is expected that users will comply with the school rules and honour the agreement that they, or their parents have signed. Network access is a privilege. Failure to follow the Code of Conduct will result in the loss of this privilege.

Parent Responsibility

Parents are ultimately responsible for setting and conveying the standards that their children should follow when using media and information sources outside of school. The school expects that the School Policy and Student Code of Conduct, which parents are required to sign/co-sign will be supported.

Staff Responsibility

St Oliver's expects that staff will use our school computer network in an appropriate and acceptable manner. The teachers will provide supervision, guidance and instruction to students in the appropriate use of I.CT. This will include staff facilitating students accessing information in support of and to enrich the curriculum while taking into account the varied instructional needs, learning styles, abilities and developmental levels of students.

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School Responsibility

St Oliver's undertakes a commitment to uphold the Acceptable Use Policy and to provide appropriate physical and financial resources to enable safe, educationally relevant access to the internet and Email for staff and students. The school undertakes to ensure that information published by students or the school under the school's name meets legal requirements and standards of general practice within the community in relation to copyright, privacy and safety.

Student Access

The school network is provided for educational purposes. The students at St Oliver's have restricted access to the internet. Catholic Education Melbourne and the school determine security filters. The security filters in place operate on the school network only and the same security features do not operate beyond the school.

Independent access to network services is provided to students who agree to act in a considerate and responsible manner. Although the school has in place steps to reduce risks, students may encounter electronic information resources which have not been screened by educators for use by students. Therefore, prior parental or guardian permission is required for students to be able to access the school network. The Code of Conduct signed by the students clearly outlines appropriate action for students to take in the event of coming across unsuitable material.

Code of Conduct P-2
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G Suite Permission Form

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