



Primary (Year Prep to Year 6)

Use of Computers and Internet Agreement – 2021

A. General

Northpine Christian College is pleased to offer students access to computers and associated network equipment. The aim of the College is to provide the best possible environment to encourage our students to become competent, effective and responsible users of technology. It is our intention that these resources are to be available equally to all members of our student community and are to be used for educational purposes.

Students and parents must sign this form to gain access to ICT services, confirming that they agree to abide by the rules outlined in this form. ICT services includes supervised access to the Internet, which is monitored by Cyberhound School Security & Internet filtering software. Should a parent prefer that a student not have email and Internet access, use of the computers is still possible for more traditional purposes such as word processing. This document is to be renewed on an annual basis.

B. What is expected?

Students are responsible for appropriate behavior while using College computers, just as they are when using any classroom or playground equipment. It is expected that users will comply with Christian standards and general College rules for behaviour and communication apply. Please also refer to rules outlined in the *ICT Handbook 2021 Student and Parents - ICT Terms and Conditions*, which can be found on the College website).

C. Student Responsibilities

I understand that the College network is a useful tool that can help me in my learning. I am aware of the rules I need to keep in particular I understand that I cannot share my username and password with anyone, because if anyone uses my username to do inappropriate things I will be held responsible. The user is personally responsible for actions performed on their account while accessing College computer resources. The use of College computers is a privilege, not a right, and may be revoked if abused. Students are advised never to access, keep, or send anything that they would not want their parents or teachers to see.

While I have access to the Internet:

- Devices must be treated carefully and with respect. They are not a toy.
- Devices are only to be used under teacher direction and supervision.
- Students are to be responsible for saving and maintaining individual files.
- I will use the Internet and my email account (Year 5 and 6) only as the teacher directs me to.
- I understand that I am responsible for the laptop issued to me during class. I will take care of the laptop and make sure it is returned in the same condition it was issued to me.
- I will not look for or access anything that is illegal, dangerous or offensive.
- I will not try to get into any pages that are blocked by the College.
- If I accidentally come across something that is illegal, dangerous or offensive, I will:
 1. close the program
 2. immediately and quietly inform my teacher
 3. clear any offensive pictures or information from my screen.
- I will not give out any personal details belonging to me or anyone else (phone numbers/addresses etc).
- I will not use the Internet to annoy or offend anyone else.

I understand that if the school decides I have broken the rules, I may need to face consequences. This may mean that I can't use the Internet or computers for a time. As a user of the College computers, I agree to follow the rules and to use the computers in a constructive way.

Student Name: _____ (Please Print)

Student Year Level: _____

Student Signature _____

Date: _____

Please turn over



D. Parents / Care Givers Responsibilities

I understand that the College computer services and the Internet can provide students with valuable learning experiences. I also understand that it gives access to information on computers around the world; that the College cannot control what is on those computers; and that a part of that information can be illegal, dangerous or offensive.

I accept that, while teachers will always exercise their duty of care, protection against exposure to harmful information should depend ultimately on responsible use by students.

I believe _____ (Name of student) understands this responsibility, and I hereby give my permission for him/her to access the Internet and school email (Year 5 and 6 students only) under the school rules. I understand that students breaking these rules will be subject to appropriate action by the school. This may include loss of computer access and/or Internet access for some time. This agreement will be kept on file at the College. (Any questions should be directed to the Primary Deputy for clarification).

Parent Name (print) _____

Parent Signature _____

Date: _____

