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Appendix II

INTERNET AGREEMENT Grade 3 – Grade 6

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Strathmore North Primary School uses the Internet as a teaching and learning tool in line with Department of Education and Early Childhood and Development (DEECD) policy. We see the Internet as a valuable resource but acknowledge it must be used responsibly.

Your child will have supervised access to the internet at school.

At Strathmore North Primary School we have protocols in place to minimise the dangers of the internet and emails, these include:

- A 'net filter' designed to bar access to inappropriate sites – this is maintained by our Internet Service Provider (ISP).
- Access to search engines that can be used to restrict students to only using websites that have been teacher recommended and reviewed.
- An opportunity to exclude certain sites on our server.
- An Internet Acceptable Use policy in place.
- An Education program for our staff and students.
- Internet Agreements forms to be signed by Grades 3-6 students and all parents each year.
- Provide teacher supervision and direction in Internet activities.
- Reinforce the importance of safe and respectful use of the Internet in all curriculum area.
- An email system for Grades 3 to 6 students.
- The ICT teacher is the primary person who has access to all email passwords and can alter these where necessary.
- The leadership team has access to all emails sent and received within the school email so tracking can be done.
- A system where breaches of the Acceptable Use policy can be recorded.

Our Department of Education and Early Childhood and Development (DEECD) network endeavours to filter as much as possible but as a consequence children may occasionally be exposed to things they should not see at school.

This Internet agreement needs to be signed by a parent and all Grades 3-6 children attending the school after discussion with your child about what this policy means.

Until this agreement is signed your child will not have access to the school internet, though having full access to all other aspects of the computers. On the following page please find the governing responsibilities, rules and agreement to be signed by parent/ guardian and the student.

This agreement will operate for a twelve month period and then a new agreement must be signed each year.

Yours sincerely,

Jenni Lewis,
Principal.

SNPS Internet Responsibilities and Rules

When I use the Internet and email, I have responsibilities and rules to follow. I agree to:

- 1) Keep myself and my friends safe by not giving out personal details including full names, telephone numbers, addresses and images and protecting my password
- 2) Be responsible and respectful in how I appropriately talk to and work with others online and never write or participate in online bullying
- 3) Use the technology at school for learning, use the equipment properly and not interfere with the work or data of another student
- 4) Not bring or download unauthorised programs, including games or music, to the school or run them on school computers
- 5) Not go looking for rude or offensive sites or passing them onto friends.
- 6) Use the Internet at school to help me to learn under the direction of a teacher or appropriate adult.
- 7) Remember that the content on the web is someone's property and ask my teacher to help me get permission if I want to use information or pictures
- 8) Think carefully about what I read on the Internet, question if it is from a reliable source and use the information to help me answer any questions (I should not copy and paste the information as my answer).
- 9) Talk to my teacher or another adult if:
 - o I need help online
 - o I am not sure what I should be doing on the Internet
 - o I come across sites which are not suitable for our school
 - o Someone writes something I don't like, or makes me and my friends feel uncomfortable or asks me to provide private information such as my address or phone number.
 - o I feel that the welfare of other students at the school is being threatened by online activities

School Email:

- 10) Use the school email responsibly and not use inappropriate language.
- 11) Keeping my password private and not sharing it with others.
- 12) Being responsible when using attachments such as pictures and photos and be aware of copyright.

Consequences:

- 13) Understand the consequences of misuse of the internet, email or the computer. The consequences may be losing the privilege to use the internet, email or computer for a specified period of time appropriate with the type of offence and parents will be notified regarding the issue.

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I acknowledge and agree to follow these rules. I understand that I may not be able to access the Internet and email at school if I do not act responsibly.

Student's name: _____

Grade: _____ Room: _____

Students Signature: _____

Parent Permission

I agree to allow my child to use the Internet at school under the guidance of a teacher. I have discussed the scenarios, potential problems and responsible use of the Internet with him/her as outlined in the Internet Acceptable Use Policy.

I will contact the school if there is anything here that I do not understand. If there is a situation which concerns me, I will contact the school on 9379 6575.

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____