

ICT ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY

Rationale:

Barwon Heads Primary School uses the Internet as a teaching and learning tool. The use of technology in the classroom is incredibly beneficial for student engagement and improving student learning outcomes. The internet and mobile technology are valuable resources but we students must be educated in utilising digital technologies in a safe and responsible way. The Education Department recognises that schools have a responsibility to education children and young people about using technology safely and address the underlying values and responsible behaviours expected of them online.

Aims:

- To improve student learning outcomes by utilising technology in the classroom.
- To assist students with developing appropriate behaviours when using technology and working online.

Implementation:

- Safe and responsible behaviour with technology is explicitly taught at our school.
- Barwon Heads Primary School has an 'Acceptable Use Agreement' for students that clearly details what constitutes acceptable use of internet, netbooks, iPads and other online and digital technologies.
- Use filtered Internet service.
- Provide supervision and direction when using digital technologies for learning.
- Utilise technologies for educational purposes and to enhance the curriculum.
- Provide support to parents with cybersafety and the use of technology at school and at home.

EVALUATION:

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's annual review cycle

This policy was last ratified by school Council: (date)