Computers and Mobile Devices
POLICY

Rationale:
- Computers and Mobile Devices are essential tools to equip students with skills necessary for learning in today’s society.

Aims:
- To utilize the benefits of using technology in the classroom.
- To develop skills in the safe use of computers when connected to the internet.
- To engage and motivate students to learn through the use of electronic devices.
- To be safe, smart and responsible when using computers and mobile devices.

Implementation:
- Within the first two weeks of each school year, classroom teachers to revisit the safe, smart and responsible manner to use computers and mobile devices.
- Each classroom to clearly display the protocol for using computers and mobile devices within the classroom.
- At the discretion of the classroom teacher, Electronic Mobile Devices may be brought to school for the purpose of listening to music during designated class time.
- Electronic Mobile devices may be used during recess and lunch time for personal entertainment.
- Students using Electronic Mobile Devices must not cause disruption to classes or individuals.
- Taking photographs on personal devices is strictly prohibited, although this is allowed on devices owned by the school.
- If any student is found to have taken photographs on their mobile device, the photograph will be deleted and the device confiscated.
- The school does not accept responsibility for any loss or damage to any mobile device which has been brought into the school.
- Students are not to call or text on their phones during school hours. If parents need to contact their child during school hours they are to call the school phone and not the student’s mobile phone.
- Any personal electronic device is not to be connected to the school’s network.
- Teachers are to supervise all students which are connected to the internet to ensure that responsible use of the internet is adhered to.

Evaluation:
This policy will be reviewed as part of the school’s four-year review cycle.

This policy was last ratified by School Council in.... May 2014

References: