



# ST BRIGID'S SCHOOL

## INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT 2016

*Omnia Vincit Veritas*

### Conditions of Use - Students

At St Brigid's the use of computers, the Internet and email is a privilege, not a right. In light of this the students at St Brigid's will be required to adhere to the following guidelines with regard to the use of computers, the Internet and email:

- the Internet will be used only for classroom work or other set educational work
- students will not deliberately create, access, display, download or send unacceptable material (racist, sexist, violent, obscene, threatening, disrespectful, rude, slanderous or harassing) on any school computer
- students accidentally accessing unacceptable material must immediately turn off the screen and notify the supervising teacher
- students will not physically damage hardware or software or interfere with system configurations or files
- students will not knowingly breach copyright laws or plagiarise material obtained from the Internet
- students will not use another person's account (ie email address or login name)
- students will not divulge confidential details about themselves (eg telephone number, address) in any email they send or Internet site they access - first names only are to be used
- students will be aware that any material accessed or saved will be subject to review by teachers.
- each student will have email access and their own individual account. Years P-4 may only access their email while under a teacher's direct instruction
- portable media devices (such as memory sticks) are not allowed at school

### Cyber bullying will not be tolerated at any level and consequences exist for students who choose to bully others.

Netalert defines cyber bullying as:

*"Bullying that is carried out through an internet service, such as email, chat room, discussion group or instant messaging. It can also include bullying through mobile phone technologies such as short messaging service (SMS). Examples of cyber bullying include teasing, spreading rumours online, sending unwanted messages, or defamation."*

Netalert ([http://www.netalert.gov.au/advice/risks/cyberbullying/What\\_is\\_cyber\\_bullying.html](http://www.netalert.gov.au/advice/risks/cyberbullying/What_is_cyber_bullying.html))

### Consequences

Any student found in breach of these guidelines will immediately have their computer &/or Internet usage withdrawn for a specified period or time. An incident report will be completed and filed which may result in a meeting with parents.

### Disclaimer

While St Brigid's School will endeavour to ensure that students do not access material which is inappropriate and offensive on the Internet and will instruct students in the proper and responsible use of the Internet, the school cannot be held liable for the actions of students who deliberately contravene the school's policies and guidelines.

**ST BRIGID'S SCHOOL**  
**Information and Communications Technology**  
**Student Code of Conduct Contract**

*This contract is to be signed by students and parents each year. Parents are asked to please read through and discuss this document with their child.*

**To be completed by the STUDENT**

I \_\_\_\_\_ (Student's Name), accept and agree to abide by the following rules:

- I agree to abide by all of the "Conditions of Use" as are listed in St Brigid's School "Information and Communications Technology Student Code of Conduct"
- I understand that the primary purpose of Internet connection is for educational purposes.
- I realise that the use of the computer, Internet and other electronic activities is with the permission of teachers. I accept that inappropriate behaviour may lead to a loss of user privileges.
- I accept total responsibility for the results of my actions while using the Internet at St Brigid's School.

Signature of Student:

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

**To be completed by the PARENT/GUARDIAN**

I have read through and discussed this document with my child.

Signature of Parent/Guardian:

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return to the Office by Monday 8<sup>th</sup> Feb in order for children to be permitted to use computers.**