

TRUNDLE CENTRAL SCHOOL INTERNET USERS ACCESS POLICY

Preamble

The World Wide Web has been a revolution in information and communication technology that presents vast amounts of information to users on an unprecedented scale. It provides vast amounts of knowledge and information that can be both appropriate and inappropriate to students. It provides opportunities for teaching and learning which can significantly enhance the education of students at our school but at the same time presents challenges concerned with potential negative outcomes of its use. This policy is aimed at providing the opportunities for teaching and learning through equitable student access to the Internet while setting guidelines and regulating behaviour that maximises positive outcomes and avoids inappropriate use.

Relationship to School Outcomes

This policy has been written to be consistent with the following Trundle Central School principals and polices:

- Trundle Central School Values
- Student Rights and Responsibilities
- Child Protection
- Student Management Policy

Consequences

Students who break the code of behaviour will be warned and where appropriate, punished in accordance with Trundle Central School's normal fair discipline policy. Serious or repeated breaches of the conduct code will result in parents/caregivers being informed and may result in restriction or denial of student access to the Internet, as deemed appropriate by their teacher in consultation with the Head Teacher and Assistant Principal and/or Principal. Any criminal behaviour will be reported to the police.

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Code of Behaviour for Internet Access

- Students will use the internet as a tool for school based research.
- Students will not deliberately seek out, create, or receive materials that are racist, sexist, offensive or abusive in any way.
- Students will not copy another person's work from the internet and pass it off as their own.
- Students will not interfere with the computer setting or the work of any other student.
- Students will maintain the security of the system.
- Students will not download any material without the permission of the teacher.
- Students will not send or receive email messages unless given permission by their teacher.
- Students will not put any details about themselves, or any other person onto the internet.
- Students shall not use the school network for inappropriate communication such as harassment.
- Students will not visit chat rooms.
- Students must not sign up for any services available on the internet.

Parent Name	Signature
Student Name	Signature
Student Name	Signature