



Mildura Primary School

Mildura Primary School Responsible Use of Technology Agreement February 2024

Mildura Primary School uses the Internet and mobile technology as teaching and learning tools. We see the Internet and mobile technology as valuable resources but acknowledge they must be used responsibly.

Your child has been asked to agree to use the Internet and Mobile technology responsibly at school. Parents should be aware that the nature of the Internet means that full protection from inappropriate content can never be guaranteed.

At **Mildura Primary School** we:

- have a cyber safe and responsible use program across the school. We reinforce the school code of conduct values and behaviours when using technology and the internet.
- provide a filtered Internet service
- provide access to/only to the CONNECT web space (www.education.vic.gov.au/primary) a search engine that can be used to restrict students to only using websites that have been teacher recommended and reviewed
- provide supervision and direction in Internet activities and when using mobile technologies for learning
- have an Information Literacy program
- utilise mobile technologies for educational purpose. e.g. Podcasts, photos from excursions
- work towards setting tasks that ask your child open questions, so they can't copy and paste all answers from the Internet
- provide support to parents to understand this agreement (e.g. language support)
- provide support to parents through information evenings and as a document attached to this agreement

Student Agreement

When I use technology, both at school and at home I have responsibilities and rules to follow.

I agree to:

- be a safe user whenever and wherever I use that technology.
- be responsible whenever and wherever I use technology and support others by being respectful in how I talk to and work with them and never write or participate in online bullying. This includes forwarding messages and supporting others in harmful, inappropriate or hurtful online behaviour.
- report to an adult if I feel unsafe or uncomfortable online or see a friend being unsafe or being made to feel uncomfortable by others.

When at school I agree to:

- behave in a way outlined in the schools' Code of Conduct when online or using mobile technology.
- keep myself and my friends safe by not giving out personal details including full names, telephone numbers, addresses and images and protecting my password
- use the technology at school for learning, use the equipment properly and not interfere with the work or data of another student
- not bring or download unauthorised programs or files
- not go looking for rude or offensive sites
- use an 'online name' and avatar when sharing my work online.

- remember that the content on the web is someone’s property and ask my teacher / parent to help me get permission if I want to use information or pictures
- follow the user agreements of websites, including social media sites
- 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).
- talk to my teacher or another adult if:
 - I need help online
 - I am not sure what I should be doing on the internet
 - I come across sites which are not suitable
 - someone writes something I don’t like, or makes me and my friends feel uncomfortable or asks me to provide information that I know is private
 - I feel that the welfare of other students at the school are being threatened

When I use my iPad at school I agree to:

- use it as requested for learning purposes as directed by my teacher
- be responsible in my use and not use the device to find, create or send information that might be harmful, inappropriate or hurtful to me or anyone else.
- hand in my mobile into the office for safe keeping when not in use for educational purposes

When using my iPad as a camera I will:

- only take photos and record sound or video when it is part of a class or lesson
- seek permission from individuals involved PRIOR to taking photos, recording sound or videoing them (including teachers)
- seek written permission from individuals involved PRIOR to publishing or sending photos, recorded sound or video to anyone else or to any online space
- be respectful in how I talk to and work with others online and never write or participate in online bullying
- seek teacher permission before uploading any content to websites, blog etc

This Acceptable Use Policy for Mobile Devices also applies to students during school excursions, camps and extra-curricula activities.

I acknowledge and agree to follow these rules. I understand that my access to the Internet and mobile technology at school will be renegotiated if I do not act responsibly.

Student Name:.....

Student Signature:.....

Parent Permission

I agree to allow my child to use the Internet at school.
 I have discussed the scenarios, potential problems and responsible use of the Internet with him/her.
 I will allow my child to use technology as seen fit by their teacher.
 I understand that my child may not have access to the internet and mobile devices if they do not follow instructions and/or respectfully use technology.
 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 either the school or ACMA Australia’s Internet safety advisory body on 1800 880 176.

Parent/Guardian Signature :..... **Date:**...

