



## Computer Acceptable Use Policy – Student Contract

The school network and the larger Internet offers a 'global community' of diverse and unique resources that students can use to promote communication, reasoning and problem solving, personal development and social responsibility.

We expect that students who use the St John's computer network will do so in a way that is consistent with, and related to, the educational mission of the school community.

1. No student shall deliberately damage school computers or software. This includes vandalism, "hacking", wasting resources and spreading computer viruses. Students and their families will be responsible for the repair or replacement of damaged equipment.
2. No student shall deliberately access educationally inappropriate materials or show others how to do so. This includes, but is not limited to, obscene and pornographic materials, sites promoting hate groups or violence, the use of illegal or controlled substances, or dangerous materials (such as bombs or weapons).
3. All students shall respect and uphold copyright laws regarding copies of software, text or graphics.
4. Illegal activities are strictly forbidden.
5. No student shall participate in hate mail, harassment, discriminatory remarks and other antisocial behaviour, including, but not limited to profanity, obscenity, bigotry and 'flaming'.
6. Use of another user's login password, or allowing another user to use one's login password, is strictly prohibited.
7. Computer gaming is not allowed during school hours, unless the games are part of the teaching programme and the student has been given appropriate authorisation.
8. Accessing and using Instant Messaging, Chat rooms and Social Networking sites (eg Facebook, MySpace) is prohibited.
9. All students shall practice courtesy and respect for the rights of other users.
10. Users of the St John's computer network can and may be monitored and observed by the system administrator and staff.
11. Users who have questions regarding appropriate use should **ask** a teacher or the system administrator **before** accessing materials.
12. Mobile phones are strictly forbidden within school hours.
13. School laptops may only be used with appropriate authorisation and supervision from a member of staff. Laptops must be transported from room to room using the bags provided.

The use of the St John's computer network is a privilege, which may be revoked at any time for abusive conduct as outlined herein, as defined by school discipline policy, or as determined by the staff, system administrator or administration. Should a student user commit any violation, or engage in activities judged by system or school administrators to be inappropriate usage, access privileges may be revoked, school disciplinary action may occur and/or appropriate legal action may be taken.



## St John's School

### Computer and Network Acceptable Use Policy

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*In order for a student to be allowed access to school computers and the school network, this form needs to be completed and returned to school.*

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As the parent or guardian of this student, I have read the **St John's Computer Acceptable Use Policy**. I understand that this access is designed for educational purposes and have discussed with my son / daughter what we, as a family, consider appropriate and inappropriate use of this resource. I recognise it is impossible for St John's School to restrict access to all controversial materials and I will not hold them responsible for materials acquired on the network.

Student name: \_\_\_\_\_

**(please print)**

Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Student signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian name \_\_\_\_\_

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Parent/Guardian signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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