



## **ACCEPTABLE INTERNET USE GUIDELINES**

### **RATIONALE**

The policy follows the guidelines of the Education Department of Western Australia and is designed to accommodate the general usage of the electronic resources through the Internet for all members of the school community, and from all Internet access points. The general usage of the electronic resources through the Internet is available for all members of the school community, and from all Internet access points. The prime use of the Internet is to complement existing curriculum resources, and to provide electronic communication. All users will be expected to act responsibly and only access appropriate sites. The basic school philosophy of respect for others, together with all students having the right to learn is paramount.

### **PURPOSE**

The Kinross mission and vision support the use of ICT technologies, including ipads, ipods, notebooks and desktop computers, to complement the development, knowledge and confidence students need to achieve their potential. This is achieved and maintained by effective pedagogy and positive social and emotional development.

In the Department's planning document Excellence and Equity: Strategic Plan for WA Public Schools 2012-2015 the Department's vision for technology is described by the following points:

To deliver a high quality school education for every child – whatever their ability, wherever they live, whatever their background by:

- expanding the use of technology to enhance student learning
- configuring the delivery of schooling across the state to best meet the educational needs of students
- supporting high quality, innovating teaching, assessment and reporting practice among teachers
- delivering strategic infrastructure and information and communication technology to provide students with contemporary learning environments

### **MONITORING**

Students are expected to follow the school rules relating to Internet usage. Each staff member will be responsible for the appropriate use of the Internet by the students in his/her care (including the internet download). Teachers must ensure that downloaded files do not violate copyright laws. Many songs, photographs, videos, texts and designs are protected. All users must download files to their hard drive where applicable to avoid excessive internet usage. Suitable classroom learning strategies are as necessary with the use of electronic information as in any other lesson.

## ***STAFF, STUDENTS AND COMMUNITY USAGE***

Access to the Internet is available for all staff, students and where appropriate, community member.

### ***TECHNICAL SUPPORT***

Technical support is provided by the hardware contract, and the Internet Service Provider as required. Trouble shooting at point of need – consult Helen Demiris. To minimise down time, staff are required to take due care to ensure that the machines are dealt with appropriately during class time.

### ***STUDENTS***

A student user agreement will be published for all students, with a copy displayed in close proximity to the computers. Adherence to the code is a condition of use.