Guidelines for Internet Use at Mt St Patrick Primary School Murwillumbah

At Mt St Patrick Primary School we are fortunate to have access to the Internet in order to utilize the wide range of teaching/learning resources that are available there.

As you would also be aware there are some aspects of the Internet that are unsuitable for children to view or use.

For that reason it is important that our school guidelines for Internet use be clearly understood by all children and their parents. It should also be clearly understood that any deliberate breaking of these guidelines will be treated as a serious breach of the school rules, similar to being ‘Out of Bounds.’ Disciplinary action will follow as a consequence.

Student Guidelines For Internet Use at Mt St Patrick Primary School

Children may only visit/view websites selected by the teaching staff and reached via links posted on our official school Network, class folder or as directed by the teacher.

This will involve an understanding of how to stay within the boundaries of selected websites.
This means children will not be able to use Search, Chat and File Transfer utilities unless under specific directions of a teacher.

Children may not use any Email service that is not provided by the Catholic Education Office, Lismore.

Eg Hot Mail and other web based mail servers are ‘Out of Bounds.’

As a user of the school network and the Internet, students must acknowledge and agree that the following are not permitted:

- Sending or displaying offensive messages, pictures or stories
- Using obscene language
- Harassing, insulting or attacking others
- Damaging computers or systems
- Violating copyright laws
- Accessing other students’ or classes’ work or files
- Intentionally wasting limited resources
- Employing the network for commercial purposes
- Deliberately accessing sites of an immoral nature
- To remain on an inappropriate site accessed in error

Violations will result in the loss of access rights as well as other disciplinary or legal action.