

Digital Device User Agreement for Students

Rationale:

As new technologies continue to change the world in which we live, they also provide many new and positive educational benefits for classroom instruction. To encourage this growth, Plimmerton School students in the Taupo Syndicate may now bring their own digital device to school for the purpose of learning.

Internet

Only the internet gateway provided by the school may be accessed while at school. Personal internet connected devices eg. cell phones, cell network adapters, t-stick, vodem stick, will not be permitted to be used to access outside internet sources at any time at school.

Security and Damages

Responsibility to keep the device secure rests with the individual owner. The Plimmerton School BOT, staff and employees, are not liable for any device stolen or damaged either at, or on the way to or from school. If a device is stolen or damaged, it will be handled through the administrative office like other personal belongings. It is recommended that skins (decals) and other custom touches are used to physically identify your device from others. Additionally, protective cases for iPad's are strongly recommended.

Agreement:

I understand... (please read this with your child and tick each statement):

□ All devices brought to school are my child's responsibility and the insurance for the device is my responsibility;

□ All devices must arrive at school each day fully charged and that my child may bring a charger for use during the day if required;

Devices are only to be used under adult supervision;

□ Devices brought to school are for the use of my child. The school adheres to a 'sharing screen' concept, whereby my child may share his/her screen with others. In collaborative group work there may be 2-3 children working together, however my child is in charge of his/her device.

□ Teachers will encourage the use of personal digital devices whenever appropriate and students will be encouraged to use them for homework activities.

□ Students will use cloud based applications such as Google Apps to complete schoolwork;

□ Students' online activity will be actively monitored.

□ The school retains the right to collect and examine any device that is suspected of causing problems, or being in breach of the digital device guidelines and/or cyber safety policy;

□ Rules and guidelines including the cyber-safety policies governing the use of any school-owned digital device, will apply to student-owned devices while they are at school, including adherence to the Copyright Act;

□ Students must comply with teachers' request to shut down or close the screen. Devices must be in silent mode and put away when asked by teachers;

□ Students agree to download and update apps at home only, unless directed by the teacher;

□ Students agree to use the email address provided in a way that reflects the values of the school, at all times;

□ Students agree not to play any games, at any time, on their device while at school, unless given permission to do so by their teacher.

□ Devices are not to be used at morning break or lunch while at school, unless given permission to do so by their teacher with the teacher present. The devices will be stored in a secure location at these times.

I give permission:

For my child's device to be checked and for the installation of any software required to connect it to Plimmerton School's wireless network.

I understand:

That if during the check, *the school* finds viruses, or other issues that make the device unsuitable for school use, then the device will be returned to me to get fixed. Once fixed, *the school* will need to recheck the device.

Signed :			

Student Name : _____

Device Make/Model/Type ; _____

Serial Number : _____