



Technology Use (Student)

1. Rationale

Mobile phones and internet enabled devices (including the College Laptop) are a significant component of young people's lives today. The availability of access to new technology brings both opportunities for learning as well as poses potential risks relating to access rights, privacy and harassment. The increased ownership of these devices requires that College administrators, teachers, students and parents take steps to ensure that they are used responsibly within the College environment.

2. Application

All students who wish to have the use of a mobile or internet enabled device (including College Laptop) during school hours.

3. Definitions

Family Zone	A cybersafe software package implemented by the College and made available to families for use with mobile phones or other internet enabled devices. The software is also loaded onto all College laptops and enables control of access to applications or programs deemed to interfere or interrupt a student's education.
Streaming Services	Internet services where audio and video content may be watched on demand e.g. YouTube, Netflix, Spotify
Social Media Platforms	Internet Applications that enable groups or communities of people to communicate and share content
Gaming Applications	Internet applications that allow games to be played either by downloading or online
Mobile / Internet Enabled Device	Any device that is easily transportable that may be connected to the internet either via Wi-Fi or through commercial cellular providers e.g. mobile phones or tablets
College Laptop	Laptop owned by the College which is supplied to Student for education purposes
Inappropriate Use	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• use of a device disrupts or is likely to disrupt the learning environment• interferes with the operation of the school• threatens or is likely to threaten the safety or well-being of any person• is in breach of any law
School Hours	8:25am - 2:45pm

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4. Policy Statement

The College recognises that many students own a mobile phone and that some parents/guardians request that their son(s) bring a mobile phone to school for before and after school safety/security reasons. However; learning and teaching need to be conducted in an environment free from unnecessary distractions or disruptions.

The College will allow the use of mobile phones and other internet enabled devices on the premises within the parameters of this policy and the Technology Use (Student) Guidelines.

The College accepts no responsibility for replacing mobile devices that are lost, stolen or damaged whilst on College premises, at College sponsored functions or travelling to and from the College.

The College supplied Laptop is subject to the Technology Use (Student) Guidelines and remains the property of St Edmund's College.

5. Supporting Documents

- 5.1 Technology Use (Student) Guidelines
- 5.2 Student Academic Policy

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