ONLINE SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

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The NSW Department of Education and Communities provides students with access to the Internet and a customised Gmail account. These resources enable students to collaborate with peers, publish online and create personalised research portals.

Your child will be provided with an individual username and password to access filtered internet browsing and email at school. Their user name and password will ensure that they receive internet filtering and that no one else can access their email.

All students who use the internet at school are taught that they must follow the code of conduct outlined in each school's _Student Access to the Internet Policy._ This policy includes the action that may be taken by a school if students do not follow this code of conduct. This policy also follows specific privacy guidelines which make it clear that personal information and information that would mean they could be identified is not to be revealed and that personal account details remain confidential. Contact the school if you would like a full copy of this policy.

Students will be able to access their personal email from computers at home and other locations through private internet service providers. All internet browsing at home will be directed through your own internet service provider. We recommend that you install filtering software at home and be aware of filtering software at other locations. We strongly recommend that parents actively oversee all internet access at home with primary age students.

As long as your child is enrolled at a public school or TAFE college in NSW they will have access to secure internet browsing and email.

On page 13 of the Application to Enrol form, you have the option to give permission for your child to have access to online services or not. If you choose not to give permission for your child to have access they will not be provided with computer access.

Permissions can be changed at any time. A request should be forwarded in writing to the school.

Further information about Online services for students is available on the NSW Department of Education and Communities website at: www.dec.nsw.gov.au or by contacting the school.

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