

# **Student ICT Acceptable Use Policy**

# **Strive for Education**

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New policy. Future updates to this policy will be highlighted in [blue filled and bold text].

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#### 1. Purpose & Scope

This policy outlines how students and their guardians must use school ICT facilities—such as computers, internet access, email systems, and mobile devices—for educational purposes. Unauthorised use may lead to restricted access or disciplinary action.

#### 2. Permitted Use

ICT resources must only support school-sanctioned learning activities, research, assignments, or projects—appropriate for your year group.

# 3. User Authentication & Privacy

Each student must use their own username and assigned password, keep these credentials secure, and never share them

Note: The school reserves the right to monitor ICT usage, including internet activity and file access.

#### 4. Prohibited Actions

Software & Network Security - Installing unauthorised software or using unlicensed applications is forbidden.

Attempting to bypass filters or compromise network security is not allowed.

Inappropriate Content - Accessing, creating, or sharing offensive, obscene, discriminatory, or illegal materials is prohibited. Any exposure to such content should be reported immediately to a teacher.

Privacy & Intellectual Property - Don't share personal details such as names, addresses, or phone numbers—yours or others'—online.

Respect copyright: use only authorised or licensed materials and give credit where due.

Digital Etiquette - Be polite and respectful in all communications—no bullying, harassment, or inappropriate language.

#### 5. Devices, Printing, & Resources

Use ICT equipment carefully; report any damage or faults immediately. Do not intentionally misuse or damage the computer equipment.

Use printing resources responsibly—minimise waste and print only when necessary

Personal devices are not authorised at Strive unless prior approval and consent is obtained, personal devices will not be permitted to be connected to the school internet.

## 6. Consequences of Breach

Violation of this policy may lead to suspension of ICT privileges, contact with parents, or further disciplinary or legal measures as appropriate.

# 7. Reporting & Support

If you encounter issues or see misuse of ICT systems, inform a teacher or support member of staff promptly.

# 8. Acknowledgment

Students and guardians must read, understand, and confirm acceptance of, to gain access to school ICT systems. This acceptance is given within the enrolment form you are asked to complete prior to starting a place at Strive. Completing the enrolment form and agreeing to the terms of this policy signifies acceptance of the policies and consequences.

# **Summary of Key Expectations**

You should	You should not
Use school ICT only for education	Install unauthorised software or access inappropriate content
Keep login credentials private	Share passwords or attempt to bypass security measures
Be respectful in all digital interactions	Engage in harassment or share offensive materials
Report concerns to staff	Ignore breaches or unsafe content you encounter
	Purposefully damage the computers