Canterbury Boys High School Online Communications Student Agreement

Policy rationale:
Online communications provide an opportunity to enhance students' learning experiences by providing access to vast amounts of information across the globe. Today's students are exposed to online communication tools and the internet in their community. The use of the internet and online communication services provided by the NSW Department of Education (NSW DoE) is intended for research and learning and communication between students and staff. Access to internet and online communication tools at school will assist students to develop the information and communication skills necessary to use the internet effectively and appropriately. Responsible use of the services by students, with guidance from teaching staff, will provide a secure and safe learning environment.

By signing at the bottom of this page students agree to the following behaviours whilst enrolled at Canterbury Boys High School:

❒ I agree that my use of the NSW Department of Education's (NSWDoE) internet will be primarily for learning.

❒ I agree to only ever use my own portal/internet log-in details and never share those with others.

❒ I agree to not hack or bypass any hardware and software security implemented by NSWDoE or my school.

❒ I agree to not to knowingly search for, link to, access or send anything that is offensive, pornographic, threatening, abusive or defamatory

❒ I agree to report inappropriate behaviour and material to my teacher.

❒ I agree to stay safe by not giving out my personal information to strangers.

❒ I understand that my activity on the internet is recorded and these records may be used in investigations, court proceedings or for other legal reasons.

❒ I acknowledge that the school cannot be held responsible for any damage to or theft to any online communication device that is in my possession. This includes any electronic communication device that I bring to school (e.g. laptop, ipad, mobile phone, gaming device etc.)

Where Canterbury Boys High School has reasonable grounds to suspect that a student's electronic device contains data which breaches this Agreement, staff may confiscate the device for the purpose of confirming the existence of the material. Depending on the nature of the material involved, further action may be taken including referral to the police. School disciplinary action including suspension may also occur.

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Student Name Parent/Carer Name

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Student Signature Parent/Carer Signature

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Date: