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Guidelines for Use

The primary purpose of the use of personal devices at school is educational.

Use of personal devices during the school day is at the discretion of teachers and staff.

Students must use devices as directed by their teacher. Teachers have discretion to view any content on the device used during school time.

Students shall make no attempts to circumvent the school's network security and/or filtering policies. This includes setting up proxies and downloading programs to bypass security (including tethering or using cellular networks).

Wednesday Sports

If students can't guarantee the safety and security of the device, while travelling to and from their sport or during their respective sport, they are to leave it at home.

Access to Entertainment (Games & Social Media)

Students shall not use their devices during school hours for:

- gaming;
- social media and peer communication;
- viewing videos;
- listening to music.

Digital Citizenship

Students are required to demonstrate good digital citizenship. This includes:

- Respect for others' privacy in a digital context;
- Protecting personal safety;
- Awareness of the life of digital content uploaded onto the internet;
- Appropriate material for uploading offensive language, inappropriate content and / or images;
- Awareness of 'netiquette' accepted online communication protocols.

Creation and Distribution of Individual Data

Students shall not:

Create or distribute pictures or videos of students or staff.

(Distribution can be as small as emailing/texting to one other person or as large as posting an image or video online.)

Misuse of internet capable devices is regarded as a serious offence within the School's Student Welfare Policy and will be dealt with in accordance with the School's Behaviour Management Procedures.

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School Liability Statement

Students bring their devices to use at Homebush Boys High School at their own risk. Students are expected to act responsibly with regards to their own device, keeping it up to date and secure.

Homebush Boys High School is in no way responsible for:

- Personal devices that are broken travelling to and from school, while at school, during sports or during school-sponsored activities;
- Personal devices that are lost or stolen to and from school, at school, during sports or during schoolsponsored activities;

Maintenance or upkeep of any device (keeping it charged, installing updates or upgrades, fixing any software or hardware issues).