



# Bethanga Primary School

## Acceptable use of technology agreement

Bethanga Primary School, we recognise not only the importance of technology in the life of our students but also the need to explicitly teach our students to be eSmart. We have developed policies and programs to ensure students from foundation to year 6 are aware of their rights and responsibilities when using digital technologies both at school and at home.

Due to the nature of technology being everywhere in this 21<sup>st</sup> century, we ask that parents work in partnership with us to ensure our students/children remain safe while online by being aware of what they should and shouldn't do, as well as actions to take if they feel unsafe online.

**Please read through this acceptable use agreement with your child, sign and return to school.**

Students Name: \_\_\_\_\_

When I use technology both at school and at home, I have responsibilities and rules to follow.

I agree to:

- ✓ Be a safe user whenever and wherever I use technology.
- ✓ Be responsible whenever and wherever I use technology and support others by being respectful in how I talk to and work with them and never write or participate in online bullying. This includes forwarding messages or photos and supporting others in harmful, inappropriate or hurtful online behaviour.
- ✓ Report to an adult if I feel unsafe or uncomfortable online or see a friend being unsafe or being made to feel uncomfortable by others.

When at school I agree to:

- ✓ Keep myself and my friends safe by not giving out personal details including full names, telephone numbers, addresses, images and passwords.
- ✓ Use the technology at school for learning, use equipment properly and not interfere with the work or data of another student.
- ✓ Not bring or download unauthorised programs or files
- ✓ Not go looking for rude or offensive sites
- ✓ Use an online name and avatar when sharing my work online
- ✓ Think carefully about what I read on the internet, question if it is from a reliable source
- ✓ Talk to my teacher or another adult if:
  - I need help online
  - I am not sure what I should be doing on the internet
  - I come across a site that is unsuitable
  - I feel the welfare of myself or others is threatened

I acknowledge and agree to these rules. I understand that my access to the internet and digital devices at the school will be renegotiated if I do not act responsibly.

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_

### Parent Permission

I agree and fully support the schools Acceptable use of Technology Agreement.

I will support my child to follow the agreement and comply with acceptable online behaviours. We have discussed the agreement and I believe my child fully understands the importance of being safe online as well as the implications if this agreement is breached.

If there is a situation which concerns me, I will contact the school to discuss it with the Principal or my child's classroom teacher.

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_