INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY POLICY

Rationale
St Peter’s school community values inquiry based learning and recognizes that information technology is a vital teaching and learning tool. The use of information technology will enhance existing curriculum resources at St Peter’s School and in keeping with our mission statement help to provide a balanced education. Students and staff will be assisted in developing the skills required for them to become life long learners through the opportunity to access available technologies within an integrated learning environment.

The Role of Students
Students are expected to:
• Use all information technology hardware and software responsibly
• Use the Internet appropriately according to school procedures
• Respect the privacy of others
• Respect copyright

The Role of Staff
Staff are expected to:
• Provide guidance and instruction to students in the appropriate use of information technology tools
• Incorporate appropriate use of information technology across the curriculum
• Participate in information technology inservice where necessary
• Use the Internet appropriately according to school procedures
• Respect the privacy of others
• Respect copyright
• Role model the use of IT

The Role of Parents/Guardians
Parents and guardians are expected to:
• Encourage the appropriate use of information technology tools at home (if available) and at school
• Support the standards set by the school in relation to the use of information sources, copyright, privacy etc.

The Role of the School
The school will:
• strive to provide and maintain up to date information technology tools
• maximise student access to I.T.
• actively support the professional development of all staff in the use of information technology and its application across the curriculum

INAPPROPRIATE USE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
Failure to observe the above procedures may result in
• Loss of ALL Information Technology privileges for a specified period of time
• Loss of Internet access for a specified period of time
• Removal from class lesson in the Lab