# (Please read through and return signed to Vale Park Primary School)

# **COMPUTER USE AGREEMENT (Years 3-6)**

(a copy of this agreement is available on our website under the reporting and policies tab)

Access to computers and the Internet is provided for the purposes of educational research and learning. It supports the school's teaching and learning program and is intended to strengthen the quality of student learning. The purpose of this policy is to provide rules for appropriate use of these facilities. Students and parents are asked to carefully read and then sign the following agreement.

## **Student Computer Use Agreement**

I understand that the use of computers and access to the Internet from Vale Park Primary School must be in support of educational research and learning and I agree to the following:

- I will refrain from accessing any news groups, chat rooms, links, social networking sites, web pages or other areas of cyberspace that would be considered offensive in the judgement of the Principal or their delegate because of pornographic, racist, violent, illegal or other content.
- Accordingly, I am responsible for monitoring and appropriately rejecting inappropriate materials, links, dialogue and information accessed/ received by me.
- I will not use valuable computer/Internet time using social networking or chat sites, sending or receiving personal email or playing games.
- I will be courteous and use appropriate language. Therefore, I will refrain from using obscene, harassing or abusive language and will report any such cases of usage against me to my teacher, teacher-librarian or the school administration.
- I accept responsibility to keep copyrighted, illegal or offensive material from entering the school. Therefore, I will not download or store software, games, music, graphics videos or text material that are copyrighted, illegal or offensive and I will not violate any copyright laws by posting or distributing such material.
- Plagiarism is unacceptable. Therefore, I will use any downloaded material in an appropriate manner in assignments, listing its source in a bibliography and clearly specifying any directly quoted material.
- I will not reveal personal information, including names, addresses, credit card details or telephone numbers of myself or others. I will not reveal other peoples details under any circumstances.
- I will not damage computers, computer systems or networks. This includes unplugging wires, mice or keyboards, altering software settings, intentionally introducing viruses etc. Furthermore, if I discover or witness any methods of causing such damage, I will report them to the school Administration and I will not demonstrate them to others.
- I will respect equipment in all computer areas and will not take any equipment without a teacher's permission. Furthermore, I will report any theft or damage I am aware of to the school Administration.
- I will abide by log-in procedures to access the computer network.
- I will not use the log-in names or passwords of others for computer or internet access, nor give mine for others to use.
- I will not store, distribute or install any application software, games or multimedia content on school computers or any other storage media without the authorisation of the ICT Technician.
- I will use my USB only for storing my schoolwork, not storing or downloading games or music.
- I will not eat or drink while using a computer in the school.
- User names and passwords provided by Vale Park Primary School for the use of educational resources are only to be used by staff and students of the school. I will not provide them to others.
- I will not use school or personal computers or networks to bully, harass or invade the privacy of other users or in any way deprive them of their rights to safe and effective use of ICT facilities.

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### **Student Agreement:**

If I violate any of the terms of this agreement, I will be denied all access to school computers for a time to be determined by the Principal or their delegate and may face further disciplinary action as determined by the Principal or their delegate. Other consequences may include suspension from school, suspension pending exclusion and possible Police involvement. I am aware that each case will be considered individually.

Student's Name:		Room No
(Full name - please print)		
Student's Signature:		Room No
Parental Agreement:		
As the parent(s)/guardian(s) of	Year Level	_ Room No

I hereby acknowledge that I have read the agreement on student use of computers and the Internet and discussed it with my child. I understand that this use is designed for educational purposes.

I recognise that while the Department for Education (DfE) uses an internet filter and every effort will be made to monitor students' use of the Internet, it is impossible for Vale Park Primary School to continually monitor and restrict access to all controversial materials.

I further acknowledge that, while questionable material exists on the Internet, the user must actively seek it and therefore is ultimately responsible for bringing such material into the school.

I therefore do not hold the staff or Principal of Vale Park Primary School responsible for any material acquired from the Internet.

Full name of parent(s)/guardian(s): \_\_\_\_\_

(please print)

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Parent(s)/guardian(s) signature/s: \_\_\_\_

(Parent/guardian to sign)

(Parent/guardian to sign)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide signatures of both parents and/or guardians where possible.



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