

# Cybersafety at Mission Heights Primary School

## ***CYBERSAFETY USE AGREEMENT FOR PARENTS***

### **Instructions for parent**

- Please read the entire document carefully.
- If any clarification is required, it should be discussed with the ICT manager or the Principal before the document is signed. Additional background information on use agreements can be found on the NetSafe website [www.netsafe.org.nz/ua](http://www.netsafe.org.nz/ua)

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## ***SECTION A - CYBERSAFETY INITIATIVES AND RULES***

The overall goal of the school in this matter is to create and maintain a cybersafety culture which is in keeping with the values of the school and also fulfil its legislative and professional obligations. This use agreement includes information about your obligations, responsibilities, and the nature of possible consequences associated with cybersafety breaches which undermine the safety of the school environment.

All staff, students and volunteers, *whether or not* they make use of the school's computer network, Internet access facilities, computers and other ICT equipment/devices in the school environment, will be issued with a use agreement.

Parents and guardians are required to read these pages carefully, and return the signed use agreement form in Section C.

## ***SECTION B - IMPORTANT PARENT OBLIGATIONS***

I understand that Mission Heights Primary School is supporting students as they learn the skills required to become successful digital citizens.

I understand that the school provides access to the internet and other communications technologies (for the time your child is at school throughout the day) because it believes that they enhance the teaching and learning process.

I understand that the school encourages responsible behaviour by students when using technology to help protect themselves and each other from experiencing harm online. I am aware that my child's Cybersafety User Agreement is part of that, and that it encourages students to consider how their actions can affect themselves and those around them.

I have read the student Cybersafety User Agreement and have talked with my child about what it means to them, especially with regards to usernames and passwords. I am confident that my child understands what this means, and that he or she is capable of working within the guidelines.

I am aware that students make poor choices when using technology, but that the school makes every effort to support students to manage these mistakes effectively.

I understand that by learning to deal with poor choices in a safe environment with the appropriate support, they will be better prepared to deal with those challenges in the future.

**I understand Mission Heights Primary School is unable to supply technical services for student owned devices and I will be responsible for the repair of any malfunctioning or damaged devices. This includes insuring your device with an appropriate provider.**

If I have questions or concerns about the way in which technology is being used by my child at school, I know the school is happy to discuss this with me, and I am aware that I am welcome to approach the school at any time.

## ***PARENT CYBERSAFETY USER AGREEMENT FORM***

Please complete, sign, and date this Parent User Agreement Form which confirms your agreement to follow the obligations and responsibilities outlined in this document. The key obligations and responsibilities are for you to reinforce with your child that :-

- All ICT use must be appropriate to the school environment
- Passwords must be kept confidential

If you have any queries about the agreement, you are encouraged to discuss them before you sign. Once signed, this form will be retained by the school.

### **Use agreement**

**I have read and am aware of the obligations and responsibilities outlined in this parent Cybersafety User Agreement document. These obligations and responsibilities relate to the cybersafety of the school community and the school environment.**

**I also understand that breaches of this Cybersafety User Agreement will be investigated and could result in further action, and where required, referral to law enforcement.**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent of:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

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