DECS ICT Acceptable Use Agreement – PBAS student 2013

USER DECLARATION

I recognise I am responsible for ensuring my personal USER ID and PASSWORD is not shared and is only used for proper and authorised activities, and I am accountable for any actions undertaken using my USER ID.

I undertake to ensure that my PASSWORD is kept confidential, and acknowledge that unauthorised use of my personal USER ID may result in the suspension of my network access.

I understand limited personal use of e-mail and the Internet is permitted as long as – there is no significant additional cost to PBAS / DECS; it does not interfere with my work or the activities of others; there is no effect on the efficiency of the school’s network; and is not classified as inappropriate for restricted.

I recognise activities that would be in breach of these conditions include (but are not limited to):

• Visiting inappropriate Internet sites concerned with pornography and downloading materials that are pornographic, or storing or transmitting any such material;
• Downloading and/or distributing copyrighted material without proper authority
• Excessive use of PBAS/DECS facilities in the pursuit of non school-related personal interests.
• Playing or downloading computer games, music or video without staff permission.
• Participating in chat rooms or the use of messenger or chat programs for non-school related activities.
• Access to streamed broadcasts, e.g. movies and television/radio podcasts. Access to streamed broadcasts via the Internet will only be considered appropriate when used for educational purposes and specifically authorised by staff.
• Conducting regular personal correspondence.
• Using chat sites.

I understand PBAS / DECS ICT facilities must not be used for the access, transmission, retrieval, storage or display of:

• Sexually explicit material
• Hate speech or offensive material
• Material regarding illicit drugs or violence
• Material regarding criminal skills and/or illegal activities
• Material of a defamatory, discriminatory or harassing nature.

This includes accessing any sites or forums that deal with these materials. The only exception is if the material forms part of a legitimate educational inquiry and approval has been specifically gained from a member of staff.

I understand that my computer use, storage folders, e-mail and Internet activity may be monitored.

Consequences under this policy will be applied at one of the following levels dependent upon the nature of the situation.

1st Level – Reminder(s) of school policy – a warning given – by ICT administrators and/or teacher
2nd Level – Formal warning – note informing student of infringement
3rd Level – Focus room.
4th Level – Suspension of network access until a handwritten copy of the Acceptable User Agreement is presented to an ICT administrator.
5th Level – The user will lose access to the network for five school days.
6th Level – Suspension of network access privileges for a period of time – Internal / External suspension.