



INTERNET ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY STUDENTS

THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC SCHOOL
Russell Hill Road, Purley, Surrey, CR8 2XP

Mission Statement

To Care for, respect and value all people and our environment.

To Learn that justice and love are the foundations of our Faith.
To make these the guiding principles of our community in its commitment to academic excellence and personal integrity.

To Achieve beyond our highest expectations, creating challenging opportunities, which take us all confidently through the 21st Century.

STUDENT GUIDELINES

The computer system is owned by the school. This Responsible Internet Use statement helps to protect both you and the school by clearly stating what is allowed and what is not allowed when using the school's internet facilities.

If you choose not to use the internet responsibly, or with respect for others, then we may prevent you from accessing the internet at school or from logging on to any computer owned by the school. We may also, to protect you or others, provide evidence of what you have done to your parents, carers or external agencies (such as the police).

- You must be aware that the school monitors your use of computers, internet and printing, and may record evidence of any breach of this policy.
- You must only access the computer network using your own username and password. You must never use someone else's name/password.
- You must only use the school's computers and internet for activities which are appropriate for school and which you would be happy for your parents/carers to see.

- You must ensure that all electronic communications (such as emails) sent from the school's computers are polite, courteous and appropriate for the recipient. Remember that these communications are not guaranteed to be private.
- You must be aware that there are laws in place which prohibit the mis-use of computers and that the school will co-operate with any investigation if these laws are broken by you.
- You must **not** bring the school (or any other person in the school) into disrepute through the use of the internet.
- You must **not** copy work or other material from the internet and attempt to claim that it is yours. All material used from the internet must be acknowledged.
- You must **not** send anonymous messages or forward messages to several recipients at once.
- You must **not** use chat rooms, social networking sites or sites which allow you to get around the school's internet filtering (such as proxy by-pass).
- You must **not** attempt to access websites or information which are filtered by the school.
- You must **not** connect any of your own electronic equipment (such as cameras, mobile phones or MP3 players) to the school's computers, network or internet without direct supervision from a member of staff.
- You must **not** use the school computers or internet to attempt to sell anything, gamble or commit any criminal activity (such as racism or inciting violence).
- You must **not** upload photographs of any adult or child at Thomas More Catholic School on to social networking sites such as Facebook or Bebo etc.

I have read and understood the Responsible Internet Use Policy.

Student: I accept the conditions for using the Internet at Thomas More Catholic School; I accept that if I breach this policy, I risk being excluded from Thomas More Catholic School and barred from using the Internet.

Student's full name:

Student's signature

Date: