Student Internet Access - YEARS 4-6

St Joseph’s Primary school recognises the potential of the Internet as a research and communication tool for students. St Joseph’s Primary School will control the way in which the students use the Internet. St Joseph’s expects all students to use the Internet in a considerate and responsible manner. This contract is designed to help students and parents recognise the limitations the school imposes on the use of Internet resources.

Students at St Joseph’s School have access to computers in the classrooms and in the computer laboratory. All Catholic schools have access to the Internet and Email services through the Cathednet Network.

Use of the Internet is for educational purposes only and will be closely supervised.

Parents will be required to agree to the following rules before their child will be allowed access to the Internet or email at school.

The student will:

- only access sites that relate to researching information for a topic or assignment given by a teacher
- inform the teacher if I am concerned that I have accidentally accessed inappropriate material
- correctly acknowledge the work of others according to Copyright laws
- only use email with a teacher’s permission or as directed by a teacher
- not access social networking sites on the Internet at school
- respect the privacy of others including other students and staff members
- Communication with others on the internet must be courteous and use appropriate language at all times. This includes sending or receiving a message which has a false name or has used another’s name without permission
- Email must not be used to bully, frighten, annoy or upset a person
- No student should post identifying information about themselves or others on the Internet. This includes photos or personal details such as phone numbers, addresses, websites etc.

Using Computers at St Joseph’s Primary School

The student will:

- handle all ICT equipment with care
- not attempt to change any configuration settings or create a screensaver
- not waste supplies, such as paper and printer ink
- not bring any software into the school and attempt to load it to a school computer

The Parent:

- understands that the use of the Internet is a privilege and not a right.
- agrees that if this privilege is abused, access will be restricted.
- agrees that their child will follow the rules for ICT use while attending St Joseph’s Primary School.

Parents please read this Agreement, discuss it with your child and sign below.

By signing below, I give permission to St Joseph’s to allow my child access to the Internet under the above conditions.

Student’s Name: _______________________________ Class: __________________

Parent/Guardian’s Name: _______________________________

Parent’s Signature: _______________________________ Date: __________________