RHENISH PRIMARY: ELECTRONIC DEVICES POLICY

Rhenish Primary encourages the use of technology for education. We have a school-wide network with full access to the Internet, significantly expanding the knowledge base available to pupils and teachers.

RULES FOR THE USE OF DEVICES AT SCHOOL

1. The Internet is to be used for school work only.
2. Google Classroom is to be used for school work only.
3. Learners may not download, upgrade or install software on their devices while at school.
4. Learners may not download or stream music on the school network.
5. Learners may not stream or download movies on the school network.
6. The school reserves the right to monitor learners' internet use while on the school network or any other network during school hours while on the school premises.
7. Learners may not try to login to:
   ● Another person's account
   ● The School Internet System
   ● The School Administrator System
8. The protection of all Google accounts is the responsibility of the individual user.
9. Vandalism and harassment will result in disciplinary action.
   ● *Vandalism is a deliberate attempt to harm, modify, or destroy equipment or data of the school or another user.*
   ● *Harassment is persistent annoyance of another user, or the interference with another user's work.*
10. No Social Networking/Web 2.0 sites may be used on the school network.
    ● *As a general guide; this refers to any website/app that allows the publishing of information which is not immediately removed when you leave the site e.g. forums, blogs and wikis such as MySpace, Instagram, Twitter, TikTok, WhatsApp or Facebook.*
11. South African laws, regulations or rules apply. This includes, but is not limited to, plagiarism, copyright material, and threatening, obscene or offensive material.
12. Privacy laws are in place for the protection of all. Private information, videos or photos of other staff or other pupils, may not be shared.

Privilege
The use of the network is a privilege, not a right. Inappropriate use, including any violation of these conditions and rules, may result in cancellation of the privilege.

Controversial Material
Rhenish Primary School will take precautionary measures to prevent access to anything that may be controversial, inappropriate or offensive; however, the Internet is too complex to fully guarantee control of all content. Children must immediately remove themselves from any material accidentally accessed, and report it to the teacher. Deliberate access of this material will result in disciplinary action.

Security
Each child is responsible for the safety and security of their own device. Lockers are assigned to all Gr.6 and 7 pupils i.e. the grades where the "blended" learning approach is applicable. These lockers must be secured with a padlock. Devices are to be locked away when not in use. Rhenish Primary School will not be held responsible for damage or theft of personal devices. Parents will be responsible for any damage, theft or loss of any devices borrowed from the school.