

Google Apps for Education & Primary- Acceptable Use of ICT - Code of Practice for Students

Dear parent or guardian,

Turner School is committed to providing a technology rich environment for our students as our community believes the use of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) is fundamental in assisting teaching and learning in all areas of the school curriculum.

Google Apps for Education (GAFE) is a core suite of productivity applications that Google offers to schools and educational institutions for free. It is designed to provide opportunities for students to research and create in authentic contexts, collaborate, communicate, cloud based data storage as well as organisational tools such as calendars. It allows the opportunity for real-time feedback from both peers and the classroom teacher. Google Apps for Education can be accessed on any device both in the classroom and the home.

We have been utilising Google Apps for Education in our 3/4 and 5/6 classes for a number of years and will now expand this to a small introduction in 1/2 classes in 2020. Google Apps for Education has already been embedded in numerous public schools K-6 across the ACT. Our two closest public high schools, Lyneham High and Campbell High have both adopted the use of Google Apps for Education.

As part of the Google Apps for Education package, we will be provided with a new student email service. This email service is hosted on our SchoolsNET domain, enabling better security and oversight.

As Google Apps for Education requires that some personal information of students in order to provide the service, and that information will be stored in a location outside of the Education and Training Directorate; we seek your consent to provide access to your child. To view the Student Privacy Information sheet For Google Apps please follow this link: [G-Suite-for-Education-Student-Privacy-Information-Sheet](#), to view the Student Privacy for Microsoft Office 365 please follow this link: [Office 365 Student Privacy Information Sheet](#)

Please consider the above information carefully. If you have not already completed a permission note for your child/ren to use Google Apps for Education at Turner School, please contact the front office on Condamine Street to obtain a copy and then return the signed permission note as soon as possible. We are excited by the opportunities that adopting Google Apps for Education provides for Turner and look forward to seeing it in action in our 2020 classrooms.

Should you choose to not give permission for your child to use Google Apps for Education your child will be in no way disadvantaged. Our teachers will always ensure that suitable alternatives are available.

If you have any questions regarding Google Apps for Education or the use of digital technologies within our school, please don't hesitate to contact the school on 6142 2430.

Yours Sincerely,

Allison Edmonds
Principal