Information and Communication Technology Policy

Rationale
Information and Communication Technology influence and develop a wide range of school activities, overall culture of the school and relationships with the wider community. St. Stephen’s Primary School has a duty to help learners shape the future in a socially just and life enhancing way.

Values
The development of the beliefs and values of Catholic Education can be assisted by the provision and appropriate use of Information and Communication Technology. Essential to these beliefs and values are equity of access within and between school communities, authentic decision making regarding the nature and extent of information available, and the need for integrity in the sourcing and ownership of information.

Policy Statement
St. Stephen’s School will provide appropriate and equitable access to, and use of, Information and Communication Technology.

Consequences
- St. Stephen’s School will develop an Information and Communication Technology plan.
- Staff will undertake an accreditation process in Minimum Standards for Teachers – Learning Technology as developed by the Toowoomba Catholic Education Office. Teachers will undertake continuing professional development in Information and Communication Technology and its integration across the curriculum.
- Computer hardware and software will be compatible to facilitate appropriate communication and transfer of data.
- Annual budgets will provide for an equitable and appropriate allowance for the implementation of the Information and Communication Technology Policy.

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