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ICT Third Party Permission

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Forrest Primary 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.

The use of web based learning resources and cloud based storage has risen steadily over the last decade and are increasingly being used by teachers across the Directorate to improve student learning outcomes.

There are a range of applications provided by the ACT Education and Training Directorate that provide secure access to students; however these do not always provide the services required by our teachers and for our students. Sometimes it is beneficial for the student to utilise services provided by third party web based providers.

Our school wishes to register with a range of web based service providers, which are listed below. Registering with these providers requires that some personal information about a student in your care is divulged. This may include: Student Name, Year group (Mathletics and Reading Eggs) and student email address (Typing Web). It is important to note we will only use the minimum amount of student information. To ensure that we comply with the Commonwealth Privacy Act (1988), we need to seek your permission for the use of these sites. It’s important that you understand the reasons that these websites collect this information, what will be done with it and who else may have access to it. For each of the websites that the school intends to use, we have included a link to the website’s terms and conditions and/or privacy policy. Please read these and ensure that you understand the implications of using this service before giving your consent.

One of these service providers we would like to use is Google Apps for Education. Google Apps for Education (GAFE) will provide the new student email service. This email service is hosted on our SchoolsNET domain, enabling better security and oversight. By using this service students will be able to login on any device anywhere, collaboration between teachers and students is effortless, apps are free and easy to use. These are just a few benefits.

The Directorate also has a new licensing agreement with Microsoft. All students can download the latest version of Office Pro Plus completely free on up to 5 personal computers or devices.

Please indicate your consent/non-consent for each of the services listed by circling the appropriate option, signing this form and returning it to the school to record on your child’s file. If you have any further questions about the implications of signing this permission slip or you would like to seek further clarification around the use of the website please do not hesitate to contact Nicole Richardson@ed.act.edu.au.

Yours Sincerely,

Chris Pilgrim
School Principal

Nicole Richardson
SLC and ICT Co-ordinator
Web Based Service Providers

Name of Provider: Chrome
Type of Service: Chrome is a web browser used in many subjects to allow students to connect to their GAFE accounts and as a portal to access other applications.
Website: https://www.google.com/intl/en/chrome/browser/

Name of Provider: GAFE
Type of Service: GAFE is Google Apps for Education. Through the Chrome browser, Google is the host for a suite of applications available to educational institutions for use in school communities. The applications that are provided as core are email, calendar, documents (docs), slides, spreadsheets, and forms. A range of other applications (apps) are available to load onto the user’s account. It allows staff and students to create, share and collaborate in an online space where the school can monitor usage (as we do with our current network).
Website: http://www.google.com/enterprise/apps/education/

Name of Provider: Typing Web
Type of Service: Typing Web is a typing program to assist students to learn to type and monitor their progress.
Website: http://www.typingweb.com/
Terms & Conditions Link: http://www.typingweb.com/support/termsofservice
http://www.typingweb.com/support/privacypolicy

Name of Provider: Mathletics
Type of Service: Mathletics is the next generation in learning, helping students enjoy maths and improve their results. Mathletics covers Kindergarten to Year 12 curriculum.
Website: http://www.mathletics.com.au/
Terms & Conditions Link: http://www.3plearning.com/terms-conditions/
http://www.3plearning.com/privacy-policy/

Name of Provider: Reading Eggs
Type of Service: Reading Eggs makes learning to read interesting and engaging for kids, with great online reading games and activities.
Website: http://readingeggs.com.au/
Please return this form once completed.

Student’s name:___________________________   Class:_________________
Parent or Guardian’s Name:______________________________

I (please circle)  consent  |  do not consent  to the use of Google Apps for Education for my child.

I (please circle)  consent  |  do not consent  to the use of Microsoft Office 365 for my child.

I (please circle)  consent  |  do not consent  to the use of Chrome for my child.

I (please circle)  consent  |  do not consent  to the use of Typing Web for my child.

I (please circle)  consent  |  do not consent  to the use of Mathletics for my child.

I (please circle)  consent  |  do not consent  to the use of Reading Eggs for my child.

I acknowledge that my child must act in accordance with the Acceptable Use of ICT Agreement when using Education and Training Directorate systems, including the use of the Directorate’s systems outside of the school.

Parent/Guardian’s Signature:___________________________________
Date:__________________________________