



Dear Parents and Carers

Over the last few years Princes Risborough School has benefited from significant upgrades to its IT infrastructure. We now operate as a 'connection hub' to local schools and as a result have access to a reliable high speed internet connection. All of our staff and students have access to Google Apps for Education, enabling them to work on any device from anywhere in the world. Our students bring in their devices to use, where appropriate, in class and more and more teachers are taking this opportunity to plan engaging learning activities using technology.

Like other forward thinking schools, colleges and universities, we have been developing our use of G Suite for Education. Our teachers employ a wide range of techniques to inspire, teach and support our students in their learning. This includes using Chromebooks and G Suite to enable staff and students to work together, learn and explore both within and beyond lessons at Princes Risborough School. The email accounts of all staff and students are managed Gmail accounts and we each have access to unlimited storage and a wide range of applications to support teaching and learning. This allows all manner of ways of working previously inconceivable including online collaboration on documents and access to millions of videos and other educational tools which means learning can be differentiated for the individual far more efficiently than in the past.

Chromebooks are a key tool in supporting access to the world of G Suite and the wider IT world. A Chromebook is a small portable computer which runs using a Google Chrome operating system and a wide range of apps that can support learning. These devices are more affordable than alternatives such as PC/Apple laptops or Ipads. Therefore all year 7's will be expected to have a Chromebook which they will use in lessons and at home to support and enhance their learning.

We are confident that this latest initiative will have a positive impact upon learning within the classroom and whilst at home. This fast-moving Technology is becoming increasingly common in the workplace and being a digitally literate learner is an attribute that modern employers find hugely desirable.

We would appreciate you returning the slip from the Acceptable Use Agreement when your child starts at PRS in September where you can hand it to a member of the Senior Leadership Team.

If you have any queries, please get in touch.

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