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# Laptop Programme

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Discovery College 2015

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# Expectations of use

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- All classes when appropriate
- To enhance or support the learning process
- Time being used
- All students
- Any time, any place



# Responsible use

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Parents and students:

- Please read the **responsible use agreement** in your laptop box
  - Discovery College views this agreement as being central to being responsible Digital Citizens at DC.
  - Developed with our Student Council
  - An expectation of being a student at DC is that you adhere to the responsible user agreement
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# Personal Security

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You will receive two sets of login details today – one for students and parents. Parents is an admin account that allows you to use parental control features and load software

Two firewalls with active and passive security

Protection + monitoring of student activity

Daily audits checks on laptops to check for organisation, appropriateness of content and appropriate software in line with the responsible use agreement

Students can load their own software /files but must comply with age appropriate ratings and copyright

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# Looking after your new laptop

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# Physical Care

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Your laptop is probably the most expensive item that you've owned up to now!



A careless attitude could see your laptop permanently damaged in a blink of an eye

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# Apple protection plan

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- Apple Protection Plan (APP) protects your Mac with 3 years coverage. An onsite service centre is available at the College, and is equipped with spare parts and tools in order to facilitate a timely repair. If available, a loan machine can be issued should there be an unexpected delay with your repair.



# Insurance

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- We also recommend that parents of students in Year 6 and above ensure that insurance coverage is provided for their student's laptops.
  - If your home insurance does not cover your child's laptop Zurich provides an offer for ESF schools. Please pick up a form later if you are interested.
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# Tips for student parent discussion

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The following are a few tips you may find helpful



# Be proactive

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- Take an active interest in what your child is doing online
  - Ask questions and find out how they are using digital technology, what interests them.
  - Rescue Time to be downloaded in class tomorrow
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# Open door

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- Insist on using the laptop in a family room or at the very least, a bedroom with a door open
- Many families have a 'no technology in the bedroom' policy



# Expectations and Consequences

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- Give boundaries - misbehaving is misbehaving
  - Think carefully about what the consequences will be in your house for doing something wrong on the laptop
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# Identity safety

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- Help your child understand to be very selective about who they give their personal details out to
- Develop family expectations based around what they can and should not share online

year of birth ....email address.....details about their school or home location, ie Discovery Bay  
.....mobile number... pictures of themselves etc etc

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# Digital Footprint

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- Help your child understand that what they do online, has the potential to stay with them FOREVER
- Google Communities initiative
- Think before you post.



# Where to from here?

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August 20 is the day of our parent fair. There is an open discussion session and the topic of social media and Internet safety that you may want to contribute to

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