



Strathburn Primary School Information Communication Technology Policy

ICT should be used to support **all** aspects of the teaching and learning process. ICT incorporates all forms of technology that are used to communicate, store or display information by electronic means. This can include e-mail, blogs, video-conferencing and use of computer hardware and software.

The School's Aims

The overall aim is to produce learners who are confident and effective users of Information Communication Technology and to ensure that teachers develop confidence and competence to use Information Communication Technology to facilitate effective teaching.

Pupils should be given opportunities to:

- Use ICT with purpose and enjoyment
- Develop their ICT capability
- Become autonomous users
- Evaluate the benefits of ICT and the impact on society
- Incorporate ICT into all aspects of their learning
- Record their learning using ICT
- Be given support in using ICT safely.

Teachers should:

- Incorporate ICT into their daily teaching, not necessarily as separate ICT lessons
- Use ICT to enhance the planning, preparation, recording and assessment process
- Use training opportunities to enhance their skills and develop their knowledge
- Ensure that they are familiar with School and Council Policies on acceptable ICT use
- Ensure that pupils are aware of personal safety and acceptable use when using ICT.

Inclusion

All pupils should have equal opportunities to develop their ICT capability. The school will promote equal opportunities for computer usage and fairness of distribution of ICT resources. Children with a computer at home are encouraged to use it for educational benefit and to share their experiences in school.

Internet

When the internet is being used, then the **School's Acceptable Use Policy** and **Aberdeenshire's Social Media Policy** will always be strictly adhered to.