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Dear Parent/Guardian,

We are writing to inform you about an important update to our school's internet usage policy. In our commitment to providing a safe and secure online environment for our students we have a web filtering system called Impero in place.

Impero is designed to protect students from accessing inappropriate or harmful content while using the internet within the school premises. This system allows us to monitor and control web access, ensuring that students can harness the educational benefits of the internet while minimising exposure to potentially harmful content. Here are some key features of Impero:

Content Filtering: Impero filters web content to block access to websites that contain explicit material, violence, hate speech, or other inappropriate content.

Safe Search: It enforces safe search settings on popular search engines to further enhance the safety of online searches.

Usage Reports: Impero generates usage reports, allowing us to review internet activity and ensure that students are using online resources responsibly.

Instant Alerts: The system can alert us to any attempts to access blocked content, providing an added layer of security.

Any concerns that are identified by the filtering system are automatically logged and shared with our pastoral and safeguarding teams. As you know we have high expectations in place in regard to behaviour, therefore improper searches and use of derogatory language could result in a sanction for the identified student. We therefore encourage you to have a conversation with your child/ward about the responsible use of the internet, both at school and at home. Reinforcing digital citizenship principles which will help them make the most of online resources while staying safe.

We believe that implementing Impero will create a more secure digital learning environment for your son while at school.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

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