

INFORMATION COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY

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ACTION

To provide for the incorporation of Communication Technologies into the classroom programmes

GUIDELINES

1. Information Communication Technologies will support the aims of the New Zealand Curriculum Framework, the New Zealand Curriculum and the School Charter, in order to empower students at Fruitvale.
2. Information Communication Technologies will be an integrated part of the classroom and wider school programmes. This will include the use of computers, video cameras, digital cameras, still cameras, phones (not cell phones yet), scanners (if available), projectors, the Hall Audio system, class CD's, listening posts, microphones, mobile PA system, Smartboards.
3. There will be development of information, problem solving, independent learning and co-operative skills, using a range of software.
4. There will be ongoing planning and assessment of the use of technologies to ensure their effectiveness in the classroom and the wider school environment.
5. The school will provide opportunities for teacher training and ongoing professional development in the use of computer and related information technologies. Senior staff will be involved, when appropriate, with Information Landscape issues.
6. Support material will be compiled and be available to teachers.
7. Computer hardware and software, will be regularly upgraded and maintained and in line with developing technology, the curriculum and needs of the students. This will be budgeted for in the Long Term Maintenance / Capital Expenditure plan.
8. School procedures and Cyber Licence user policy will help ensure a safe and monitored learning environment for staff and students.
9. Information Communication equipment is accessible to all students with a cyber licence across the school; not only in their own classrooms but also in the ICT Lab and the Library.