9th February 2015

Dear parents of Year 6 students,

We have received notification that some of our students are using social media to bully, intimidate and abuse other students.

There are no social media apps on any school devices and will not be allowed on any device used at school once we implement BYOD.

The legal age to hold a social media account, e.g. FB, Instagram, is 13 years. None of our Yr 6 students are 13 years old, therefore should not have a social media account.

It is a parental responsibility to monitor their child’s internet use and set limits at home. Illegal use of social media will be referred to the appropriate authorities. School staff are responsible for the wellbeing and safety of children at school. Parents are responsible for the wellbeing and safety of children when in their care.

We will work in partnership with you to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all our students. It is a joint responsibility, so please support us by monitoring your child’s internet use at home.

Social media use requires a level of maturity, rarely seen in primary age students…..or many junior secondary students. Teach your child about the responsibilities and safety issues for internet use.

Thank you in anticipation of your support,

Fran Jackson
Principal