

Google Community 2019

Tuesday February 5, 2019

Dear Parents/Caregivers/Grandparents,

Merimbula Public School is committed to providing a technology rich environment for our students as our community believes the use of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) is fundamental in assisting teaching and learning in all areas of the school curriculum.

With the school vision of providing an ICT rich environment at Merimbula Public School we have been using G Suite for Education (G Suite), which is an online productivity tools that works on any device. G Suite lets teachers and students create, communicate and collaborate in real time. G Suite is accessed via a dedicated Department domain rather than downloading.

Teachers and students have access to tools that allow: Collaborative word processing, presentation and website creation, Easy delivery and management of assessment, Time and task management and Unlimited online storage.

To make further connections with our school community and show the work of our students, we are using Google+. Google+ Community will provide an online sharing platform called Google Community that allows parents to see photos of their children while at school and receive important reminders about class information from the classroom teacher. It is a closed network that <u>only</u> parents/carers of children within the classroom will be able to view (which means it is similar to a closed Facebook group).

To enable access to your child's page you will need to access the class link. In the slip below can you provide the email address that you will be using to access the Community and a link will be sent to this account (this will further ensure security over the page). The process may also require you to create an account with Google depending on the email account you may currently have. **If you wish to be part of your child's 2019 class Google Community, please complete the slip below. Even if you accessed Google Community in 2018 an updated slip must be returned.**

All students who have the appropriate permissions, provided on enrolment will be included. If you have any queries about the use of G Suite please do not hesitate to contact me on 64951266 or email me at <u>merimbula-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au</u>.

Regards Brenton Mace Assistant Principal Special Education

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Please return this slip to classroom teacher/office by Friday February 15, 2019

Students name:	Class:
Parent/Caregiver Name:	Signed:
Email:	.Date:



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Proud to be part of the Sapphire Coast Learning Community!