

Third Party Consent

Our school uses tools and resources to support student learning, including third party (non-departmental) online services hosted and managed outside of the Department of Education network.

Online services, including websites, web applications, and mobile applications, are delivered over the internet or require internet connectivity. Examples may include interactive learning sites and games, online collaboration and communication tools, web-based publishing and design tools, learning management systems, and file storage and collaboration services.

About the online services

After evaluation, the principal has deemed specific third party online services appropriate for school use. These online services are listed on the consent form you were provided with at the start of 2021 or on your arrival at WESS.

Third party online service providers are external to the school, and the services may be hosted onshore in Australia or offshore outside Australia. Data that is entered into offshore services may not be subject to Australian privacy laws. When considering whether to provide your consent, we encourage you to read the information provided about each online service, including the terms of use and privacy policy, which outline how information and work will be used and under what circumstances they may be shared.



Purpose of the consent

Third party online services are used for various purposes. The purpose of use for each service is outlined on the form. For example, teachers may use online services with students to support curriculum delivery, complete learning activities and assessment, facilitate class collaboration, and create and publish class work (e.g. projects, assignments, portfolios).

The form records your consent for your child to register accounts, use, and, where specified, publish their work to these services. The form also collects your consent for school staff to collect, store, and transmit information to online services in order to manage school operations and communicate with parents and students.

It should be noted that, in some instances, the school may be required or authorised by the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006 (Qld) or by law to record, use or disclose the student's personal information or materials without consent.

Voluntary consent provision

It is not compulsory to provide consent. If your consent is not given, this will not adversely affect any learning opportunities provided by the school to your child.

Duration of consent

The consent applies for the period of time specified under the 'About the Consent' section on the form: Prep to Year 3 and a second form covers Year 4 to Year 6. You may review and update your consent at any time by notifying the school in writing (by email or letter).

There may be circumstances where the school issues a new consent form to seek additional consent e.g. in the event that new online services are identified for use.

Who to contact

To express a limited consent, withdraw consent or ask questions regarding consent, please contact Fiona Lane, Head of Department: Curriculum flane1@eq.edu.au