

Rules of Engagement

In joining our community on Facebook, please be aware that Homebush Public School's Facebook page follows both the DEC Code of Conduct and Facebook terms and conditions.

What this means for our learning community:

- The Facebook terms and conditions state that no one under the age of 13 years should have a Facebook profile. Therefore, any student under 13 who 'Likes' the page or 'Comments' on the Homebush Public School's Facebook page will be deleted and reported immediately.
- The Department of Education and Communities has strong advice for teachers 'Friending' parents and students on Facebook, detailed in the Code of Conduct 2014. Although Homebush Public School's Staff proudly supports and contributes to our Facebook page by way of 'liking' through their personal accounts, they are not permitted to friend parents or students.

Comments agreement:

- Although Homebush Public School actively encourages interaction from Facebook users, we are not responsible for comments or wall postings made by visitors to the page.
- The administrators of the Homebush Public School's Facebook page reserve the right to remove comments that are racist, sexist, abusive, profane, violent, obscene, spam, that advocate illegal activity, contain falsehoods or are wildly off-topic, or that libel, incite, threaten or make ad hominem attacks on students, employees, guests or other individuals.
- Comments or messages selling products or promoting commercial, political or other ventures outside of the Department of Education and Communities are not permitted and will be deleted.

Homebush Public School's Facebook administrators will remove content, and in some cases ban users if comments contain:

- Offensive abusive, obscene, profane, hateful or racist content, links or images
- Comments that threaten or defame any person or organisation
- The direct, full name or descriptive reference to an individual, irrespective of the post's tone
- Solicitations and advertisements by other organisations or endorsements by other organisations or endorsements of other organisations not approved by the Principal
- Multiple or repetitive posts by a single user or repetitive posts copied and pasted or duplicated by single or multiple users
- Anything else that the school deems inappropriate and does not align with our values, standards, policies and guidelines.

Our Facebook page is monitored by staff Mon – Fri between school hours (9am – 3pm).

By Liking our page you have agreed to the guidelines and conditions listed above.

For further information regarding the use of our official Facebook Page please contact the school directly (02) 9746 9171.