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# GOVERNMENT OF NIUE

## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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Dear Parents/Caregiver

Fakaalofa lahi atu!

The Department and the school would like to inform you about a few informations concerning your child's laptop.

Although it was announced that the laptops belongs to the child, there are still some guidelines that the school has put in place to ensure that this pilot programme being the first in the world is successful and that it will continue for those who are yet to start school and that it will benefit all Niue children.

The laptops are able to access the internet freely in some areas and as we all know the internet has many good and bad things that our children are able to view and download from the net.

We ask that all parents please be vigilant about what your child is doing with their laptops. Please encourage them to use their laptops responsibly and to learn from and that we assist them or learn form them or learn with them.

We have seen some of the good things that these laptops can do and already the children are becoming computer literate at a young age.

### Department Guidelines

This is a gift and our students for 2008 are most fortunate to receive this.

- All children who enroll at the school from now to the end of 2008 will receive a laptop.
- Laptops with deliberate damage (like removing letters from key board) broken screens or those that cannot be repaired will not be replaced. Your child will go without.
- All damaged or faulty laptops are to be returned to the school for repairs. We have a technician who can repair them. Please do not take it upon yourself to take it to this technician's private home for repair.
- Laptops with broken screens, deliberate damage (like removing letters from key board) or those that cannot be repaired will not be replaced.
- Any child leaving the island for good are asked to return their laptops to school before leaving the island.
- Children who are leaving Niue and returning in the near future are also asked to return laptops to school for safe keeping.
- Games that children download from the internet that are inappropriate will be deleted or asked to be deleted from the laptops. Please ensure that such games e.g.

DOOM is not in your Child's laptop. Absolutely no form of entertainment games included in the laptops.

- Children are encouraged to charge their laptops before they come to school.

Please abide by these guidelines to ensure that our children are learning from these laptops and that this pilot project will be successful so that we can all benefit from. Continue to encourage your children to take good care of their laptops and to use them wisely.

If you have any more questions please ring the school. Thank you for your time.

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