



## **Scoil Trá Phraisce (Trafrask N.S.)**

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Adrigole (Béara)  
Co. Cork

### Digital Learning Policy for Trafrask NS

#### 1. Introduction

This Digital Learning Policy outlines the framework for the effective integration of technology into our school's educational practices. The aim is to enhance teaching and learning experiences, ensuring all students have equitable access to digital resources.

#### 2. Objectives

- To promote the use of digital technologies in teaching and learning.
- To enhance students' digital literacy and problem-solving skills.
- To create an inclusive learning environment that meets diverse learning needs.
- To ensure the safe and responsible use of technology.

#### 3. Resources Available

This school received a grant in 2021 to implement initiatives aimed at addressing the digital divide and support our learners at risk of educational disadvantage as a consequence, as part of the Irish National Recovery and Resilience Plan (NRRP) a project under the Recovery and Resilience Facility funded by the European Union through NextGenerationEU. This funding was used to purchase/update

- Devices: 23 iPads, 3 laptops
- Interactive Technology: Smart whiteboards in each classroom
- Robotics: 6 Bee-Bots, 6 Blue-Bots
- Educational Subscriptions: MathsSeeds, Reading Eggs, Little Fox, Jolly Phonics

#### 4. Responsibilities

- Teachers:
  - Integrate technology into lesson plans and learning activities.
  - Provide guidance on the safe and responsible use of digital tools.
  - Monitor student engagement and progress through digital platforms.
  - Attend professional development sessions related to digital teaching strategies.
- Special Needs Assistants (SNAs):
  - Support students with additional needs in utilizing digital resources.
  - Collaborate with teachers to adapt learning materials and activities.
  - Encourage and facilitate engagement with technology among all students.

#### 5. Digital Learning Framework

- Integration of Technology:
  - Use iPads and laptops to access learning apps, research, and create presentations.
  - Use smart whiteboards for interactive lessons and collaborative learning.
  - Incorporate Bee-Bots and Blue-Bots in coding and problem-solving activities.
- Personalised Learning:
  - Utilise MathsSeeds and Reading Eggs to tailor learning experiences based on individual student needs.
  - Regularly assess student progress and adjust digital learning strategies accordingly.
- Collaboration:
  - Encourage students to work in pairs or small groups using digital tools to promote teamwork and communication skills.
  - Facilitate cross-classroom projects using technology.

#### 6. Safety and Responsible Use

- Internet Safety:
  - Teach students about safe internet practices, including recognizing appropriate online behavior and understanding privacy settings.
  - Ensure that all devices have appropriate filtering and monitoring systems

in place.

- Device Management:
- Establish guidelines for the care and use of devices.
- Regularly monitor the condition of all digital equipment and report any issues to the designated IT coordinator.

## 7. Training and Professional Development

- Provide ongoing training for teachers and SNAs in the use of digital tools and resources.
- Encourage participation in workshops and courses on digital pedagogy and technology integration.

## 8. Evaluation and Review

- Regularly assess the effectiveness of digital learning initiatives through feedback from students, teachers, and parents.
- Update the policy annually to reflect new technologies, educational practices, and feedback from stakeholders.

## 9. Conclusion

The integration of digital technology in our school is essential to preparing students for a rapidly changing world. This policy serves as a foundation for promoting effective, safe, and responsible digital learning practices.

## 10. Policy Approval

This policy will be reviewed and approved by the school staff and governing body annually, ensuring that it remains relevant and effective.

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