**Informed Consent**

www.education.weebly.com will be used in our classroom this year for a variety of purposes. Students will build and maintain personal websites that will act as both a storage place for exemplars of their work (ePortfolio) as well as a place for them to journal or ‘blog’ about their learning experiences. They will also have the opportunity to comment on other students blogs as part of our peer review process. These educational sites are able to be viewed only by those who have the class password and are not available for public viewing online unless you have a password (our password is: xxxxx). We will be able to use Weebly free of charge and the easy drag and drop feature to import data and multimedia files make it a user-friendly and easy to learn tool. In addition, students should not have to worry about advertisements on the page on which they are working that could be inappropriate or cause distraction.

**Specific activities** that we will be using our Weebly sites for include:

* Blogging
* Commenting on classmates blog posts
* Attaching work samples and using our sites as ePortfolios
* Sharing information students have researched and commenting on prepared presentations of that information using a variety of multimedia applications
* Communicating with other students in the class and providing peer reviews of each other’s work.
* Examining proper use of student websites and content and building understandings of what should not be shared or posted online

Is expected that your child use Weebly properly following the guidelines below:

1.      Keep your real name, address, or email / phone number private. Basically, anything that can identify you (or anyone else) and where to find you (or them) should be kept private as those who need to know the information (the teacher and peers in your class) will already know it.

2.      Everything that is posted online has a ‘digital footprint’ this means, once something is posted online, it is online for good. Put thought into what you are posting and make sure it is acceptable.

3.      At all times treat other people with respect and dignity. We are an inclusive class. If something a classmate posts, causes you concern, contact the teacher immediately but do not post a negative comment back to them.

4.      You must have permission to post any videos or pictures that you have taken which contain other people (or yourself). You must obtain the consent of the other person (who is shown in the picture or video) and a parent’s consent if the person is 13 years of age or younger.

5.      Do not give your password to anyone. If you give out your password, things may be posted on your behalf that you do not approve of.

6.      If you believe your account has been compromised or hacked,  report this immediately to your parent and the teacher.

Please keep page one for your records and complete page 2 to be sent back to me for my records. Thank you.

**Teacher Name**

**Contact Information**

Please choose one of the following, if you feel that you do not have enough information to make an informed decision, please contact me to discuss further:

[ ] I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, give permission for my child, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, to participate in using education.weebly.com in the classroom to blog, comment on classmates blogs and post videos or other multimedia files in order for them to provide evidence on their learning.

[ ] I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, give permission for my child, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, to participate in using education.weebly.com in the classroom to blog, comment on classmates blogs and post videos or other multimedia files in order for them to provide evidence on their learning. I request that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ be able to participate in these activities under a pseudonym or avatar that will not reveal their identity online.

[ ] I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, DO NOT want my child, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, to use social media on the internet during class time and would prefer an alternate activity be provided for them to complete.

We understand the privacy risks and management strategies as they have been shared with us.

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Parent Signature                                                                                  Date

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Student Signature                                                                                Date

Received by teacher on: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_