



Chromebooks @ NCS

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What are Chromebooks?

This year, students in Year 3-6 will be accessing digital resources at school by using Chromebooks.

A **Chromebook** is a laptop running the Chrome OS as its operating system. The devices are designed to be used primarily while connected to the Internet, with applications and data residing in "the cloud".

The ACER R11 Chromebook allows student access to the [Google for Education](#), educational web-based tools, as well as many other useful sites. This device is an educational tool not intended for gaming, social networking or high-end computing.

Why Chromebooks?

Chromebooks provide basic computing through the internet. They are simple to maintain, easy to manage and inexpensive to purchase and replace.

The ACER R11 works as a laptop with a touch screen, or can be used in a tablet format.

Chromebooks are able to take advantage of the many Chrome and Android apps for Education.



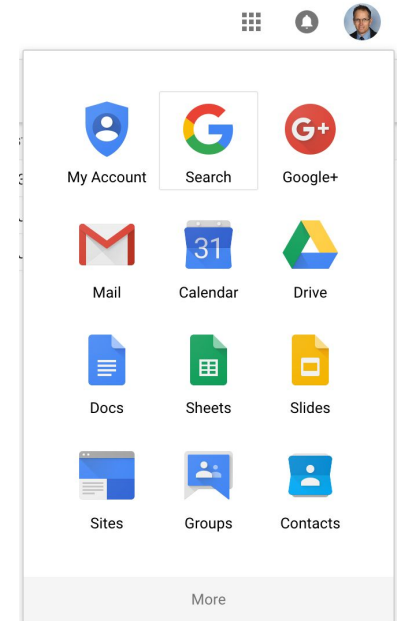
How will the devices be used?

- They will be used to support teacher instruction.
- Access online learning content (e.g. Mathletics).
- Submit work using [Google Classroom](#).
- Use the Google Apps to create, edit and present assignments.
- Use of Chrome and Android apps for educational purposes.



What is Google Drive?

- Google Drive is a cloud-based storage space.
- It stores all work automatically.
- All Gmail account holders have this facility.
- Google apps are similar to Microsoft Windows tools.
- Email is part of Google Drive. Students have school gmail accounts. Their email address is:
first&lastname@ncs.nsw.edu.au.
- Google Drive can be accessed from any device, anywhere.



NB: Whilst students have their own school email account, access each day is not guaranteed. If you need to get a message to your child, the front office is still the best way to do so.

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Is my child safe online at School?

The Google Apps Administrator at NCS can:

- select privacy settings for everything, including filtering content, download apps, opening access to tools, and more.
- vary these restrictions and settings based on grade, user, etc..
- For more information see, “[Student data privacy](#).”
- Digital citizenship is part of our PDHPE curriculum.