Blogging
Using blogED
Blogs in Plain English

From 13 September 2010 all Principals are provisioned for Access Management Utility (AMU) Learning Tools access to blogED.


Principals assign level of access to staff (Private, All DET, Public)

- My Learning Tools tab in staff portal

Resources

Blog creation

Class teachers in school can create:
- a Class blog,
- an individual Student blog,
- a Batch of student blogs, or
- An Other blog with selected individuals or groups.

Audience:
- Private – My school allows only specified Members and Authors from within the school to view the blog. Moderation is the default and is optional.
- All DET – staff and students are able to view and comment in a blog. The blog can be found through the search facility in the blogED dashboard and can be accessed from a link to the blog. Moderation is mandatory.
- Public – Internet allows any user on the public internet to view and possibly comment on the blog. Moderation is mandatory.
Secondary blogs

- Ingelburn High School

- Birrong Girls’ High School
What does a DET blog look like?

Emma and Ryan’s Big Trip!

**Broome**
19 Aug

Hi Everyone, we are now in Broome. Sorry but as usual we have found it hard to keep the blog up to date. Here is a quick update on what we have seen since leaving Darwin.

Darwin, We visited the Aviation Heritage Museum and the East Point Military Museum.

Read more

**Darwin**
21 Jul

Hi Everyone, we are now in Darwin and it is hot! It is 32 degrees everyday and doesn’t get below 20 degrees at night. The locals tell us it is too cold to swim! Yeah right, we think it is great weather for swimming, the only problem is the crocodiles and...

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Popular Tags

**Cairns**
23 Jun

by crazy doc:

Read more, 23 June 2010, 11:16 AM
Example

- Canterbury South Public School
Posts and Comments

- Healthy Eating
Posts and Comments

Healthy Living With KW

What's your favourite fruit?

19 Aug

by: Karry

Last updated 19 August 2010, 01:40 PM

Tell me about your favourite fruit.

Share Tools:

Delicious

Report Concern

Tags:

Categories:

23 Comments

Tyler says:

I like to eat apples.

26 Aug 2010 at 02:39 PM

Antony says:

I like to eat strawberries.

26 Aug 2010 at 02:42 PM

Peter says:

26 Aug 2010 at 02:45 PM
Why should students blog?

Using blogED
It’s fun

- Some may be blogging already
- Very engaging – They might become inspired to learn
- They might inspire others to learn.
- Almost all are using computers for entertainment

Adapted from Anne Mirtschin – 20 Reasons to blog.
No longer working for a teacher who checks and evaluates work but a potential class/school/DET /global audience.
Cater for learning styles

- The quiet, shy students? If they don't talk in class, they might on a blog.

- Maybe students who only attend a few days?

- Loud student
- The student that needs a bit of “processing” time.
Increased motivation for writing

- All students are happy to write and complete aspects of the post topic. Many will add to it in their own time.

- Patch
'My weekend with Patch'
A place to comment on 3G's adventures with Patch.

Patch says thank you!
by Mrs Gray
Last updated 25 May 2010, 09:44 PM
I would like to thank all of my 3G buddies for inviting me to their houses over the past 6 months. I am very much looking forward to coming to your house if I haven't already been. Thank you for being sooooo patient and waiting for me. Mrs Gray told me that..

My Stay at Nikhil's House 19th-22nd Mar 2010
by Cool Dude Nikhil!!!!!
Last updated 18 May 2010, 09:03 PM
My Stay at Nikhil's House 19th-22nd Mar 2010. It was a very exciting Friday afternoon when I went to Nikhil's house and got to meet not only his parents but also his very special stuffed dog called Pluto!
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19th-22nd Mar 2010

It was a very exciting Friday afternoon when I went to Nikhil’s house and got to meet not only his parents but also his very special stuffed dog called Pluto! Pluto and I got along like a house on fire. Nikhil told me that he had to go to his “Bling” school disco and I got all excited and got dressed up in lots of bling to go with him. What a shame I wasn’t allowed in! Aww… I went back home instead with Nikhil’s mum and helped organize dinner. When Nikhil came home he showed me some cool stuff on his Wii and then I was allowed to sleep on his bed along with Pluto.

The next day Nikhil’s mum wasn’t too well, so Nikhil read an interesting book to me called “David, the best model maker in the world” that he had borrowed from his school library. I enjoyed listening to Nikhil read to me. In the late afternoon Nikhil’s dad took us for a nice long bike ride to Brighton and we were also treated to a yummy hot chocolate on the beach. Nikhil was kind enough to pop me up on the handlebar of his bike so I could enjoy the nice cool sea breeze. That night we all ate dinner at home together and Nikhil taught me how to say grace. After dinner, we played some more Wii and Nikhil let me have a go at his favourite game on Wii called Star Wars Lego.

On Sunday, Nikhil invited me to go on a picnic with him to Captain Cook’s landing point in Kurnell. We had lots of fun running around there and after scoffing down some gourmet treats we were taught some cool soccer tricks by Nikhil’s dad. I had a great time playing soccer. It was very hot and humid that afternoon and we were dog tired by the time we got home. Needless to say we both slept like logs that night!

On Monday I was a bit sad when Nikhil went to school but his dog Pluto kept me company. That afternoon I was very happy to go and watch Nikhil do some
Increased motivation for reading

- Students will happily spend a lot of time browsing through fellow student posts and comments.

- Many make comments.
Keiley Bear says:
27 May 2010 at 01:43 PM
I love how detailed it is!

jessie says:
27 May 2010 at 01:51 PM
That sounds like really good fun. I wish I could have been there!!!!!!!!!

Michelle says:
27 May 2010 at 10:21 PM
What colour is your dog Pluto?

Mr B says:
28 May 2010 at 08:49 PM
Nikhil you have put a lot of time and effort into your post. Well done. I really enjoyed reading your story.

Soph moph says:
03 Jun 2010 at 07:22 PM
Did Patch have a good time with Pluto? Sophie D
Improved confidence levels

- a lot of this comes through
- Staff are given an often rare insight into what some students are good at. We find talents that were otherwise unknown and it allows us to work on those strengths. It allows staff to often gain insight to how students are feeling and thinking.
Pride in their work

- Pride in their work – My experience is that students want their blogs to look good in terms of both presentation and content.

- Killer
Technology

- Blogs allow text, multimedia, widgets, audio and images
- All items that digital natives want to use

"No, you weren’t downloaded. Your were born."
According to Nielsen’s ‘2010 Internet and Technology Report’, the average Australian internet user spends 17.6 hours per week online.

This indicates a 9% rise in the year past and a 28.5% lift on 2007.

Not surprisingly, the heaviest users of the internet were those aged 16 to 29 years.
Proofreading

- Increased proofreading skills
GG!! says:
15 Jun 2010 at 06:23 PM

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Ability to share

- Part of the conceptual revolution that we are entering
- They can share with each other, staff, their parents, the community and the globe (depending on permissions set)

- They might share what they've learned with others !!!!!!
Collaborative learning

- Mutual learning between students and staff and students

- Student response to HSIE unit about the history of the local area is not from Wikipedia.

  ‘Wonga Road Reserve was just sloping bush and weeds. When they dug trenches to put sewer pipes in there was lots of dirt left over. Peter Mc who lived at 47 xxxx road suggested that they use the left over dirt to make a level playing field on Wonga Road reserve. And that’s how the extension field was made.’

  William
Parents

- Parents with internet access can view their child’s work and writings – an important element in the parent partnership with the classroom.
- Relatives from around the world have made comments on student posts. (depending on permissions set)
Digital portfolios

- Blogs may be used for digital portfolios.

(multimedia representation of your learning achievements)
Assessment

- Work is permanently stored,
- Easily accessed
- Valuable comparisons can be made over time for assessment and evaluation purposes
Be independent

- Gives students a chance to show responsibility and trustworthiness and engenders independence.
Safety

Prepares students for digital citizenship
- cybersafety
- netiquette
Peer to Peer

- Fosters peer to peer mentoring.
- Students are happy to share, learn from and teach their peers (and this, often not their usual social groups)

- Multiplication
hey Guys

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2 + 3 = 5 so put the 5 between the 2 and 3.

the answer is 253

try these

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2. 26 x 11 =
3. 71 x 11 =
4. 34 x 11 =
Multiplication short cuts

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Harry says:
26 Mar 2010 at 05:03 PM
11x54 5+4=9=594 Correct!!! Great work Killa

2 minute easy mac cheesy man says:
26 Mar 2010 at 07:58 PM
Killa you are right 69x11=759 you rule you are very smart

$immo says:
27 Mar 2010 at 07:15 AM
Thanks Killa for that trick 36x11=396 you are great
Students set the topics for posts – leads to deeper thinking activities and more variety.
What Students say about blogging.

- It’s so much FUN!!
- You get to show off your stuff
- You can help teach others about you and your country/culture/beliefs
- It helps your communication skills
- When someone comments on your posts it makes you feel good about yourself
Your computers skills become more advanced

Easy way to talk to people. Can do it whenever

It is something that can be updated all the time. You always have so much to write about

It makes you write about things that you wouldn’t write or write in more detail
DET BlogED

- Tour of blogED
- Staff Blog
- Maths Group
- Year 4
- Year 3

- Tour of blogED
Create a blog

- Is it time consuming?
Other Possibilities

- Or http://tinyurl.com/blogED
- You might need to go to blogED first before trying the above.
"Well, yes, we could read your blog... or you could just tell us about your school day."