MEMBERSHIP FORM

Choose a PIN: [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] A PIN is required to access online renewals, eResources, public PCs etc

Title: Mr: [ ] Mrs: [ ] Miss: [ ] Ms: [ ] Dr: [ ]

Surname: .....................................................................................................................................................

Given name: ...................................................................................................................................................

Gender: Male: [ ] Female: [ ] Date of birth: ...................................................................................................

Email: ......................................................................................................................................................... Mobile: .................................................................................................................................................

Address (Postal)

Address: ........................................................................................................................................................

Suburb: ....................................................................................................................................................... Postcode: ................................................................................................................................. Tel: .................................................................................................................................

Address (Residential)

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Address and details of Parent or Guarantor (if under 18 years of age)

Name: ...........................................................................................................................................................

Address: ........................................................................................................................................................

Suburb: ....................................................................................................................................................... Postcode: ................................................................................................................................. Tel: .................................................................................................................................

Email: ............................................................................................................................................................

Library membership card of parent/guarantor (if known): ................................................................................

☐ Please check this box if you would like to receive email updates about events, programs and services at Our Library.

Membership conditions

I agree to all Mornington Peninsula Library Service terms and conditions

- Accept responsibility for all items borrowed on my card
- Parents/Guarantor are responsible for children’s borrowing choices
- pay replacement costs plus processing charges for any items lost, stolen or damaged while on my card
- pay overdue fees if I return items after their due date
- Report lost/stolen cards to Our Library immediately. I understand that I will be responsible for any items borrowed on my card before I report the loss
- Agree that all notices will be sent to the email address supplied on this form
- Agree to take full responsibility to check my email account for library notices (Please be aware if you have anti-spam software on your email account, notices may be delivered into a junk folder)
- Notify Our Library immediately of any change to my name or contact details; and
- Respect the rights and security of staff and other library users.

I understand that my membership details are confidential and will not be disclosed to other parties.

Sign: .............................................................................................................. Date: ..................................................

Parent/Guarantor must complete and sign the consent form (overleaf) for members under 18 years of age to be granted access to library computers and/or internet
Internet – Games Access
Junior and Teen Consent

I authorise (name of child) ..........................................................................................................................................

Date of birth ............................................ Card number (if issued): ..............................................................

To have access to the following service as provided at the Mornington Peninsula Library Service:

Junior (4 to 12 years)  Teens (13 to 18 years)
☐ Internet Access only  ☐ Internet Access only
☐ Junior Games Consoles
☐ Internet and Junior Computer Games

By signing this form I understand the following:

I have read the information and have explained the information overleaf to the above named, and I understand that I am fully responsible for the usage of these services by the minor in my care.

I understand that the misuse of any library and library services may result in the withdrawal of access to the library or some library services.

I have read the safety information on the back of this form.

Name: ..........................................................................................................................................................................

Relationship to minor: ..................................................................................................................................................

Address ........................................................................................................................................................................

Suburb: ........................................................................... Postcode: ................................... Tel: ..................................................

Signature: ........................................................................................................................................................................

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Safety Information

Playing Console and Electronic games

Playing electronic games can be a source of fun and entertainment for the whole family. However, it is important to take a few precautions to help make sure that you don’t overdose the fun and end up with any long term health issues. This bookmark includes information taken directly from the Nintendo Health and Safety booklet which is included with every game purchased. Please read it and use the information to keep you and your family safe and happy!

Seizures
Some people (about 1 in 4000) may have seizures or blackouts triggered by light flashes or patterns, and this may occur while they are watching TV or playing video games, even if they have never had a seizure before.

Anyone who has had a seizure, loss of awareness or other symptom linked to an epileptic condition, should consult a doctor before playing a video game.

Parents should watch their children play video games. Stop play and consult a doctor if you or your child have any of the following symptoms: convulsions, eye or muscle twitching, loss of awareness, altered vision, involuntary movements, disorientation.

To reduce the likelihood of a seizure when playing video games:
- Sit or stand as far from the screen as possible
- Play video games on the smallest available television screen
- Do not play if you are tired or need sleep
- Play in a well lit room
- Take a 10 - 15 minute break every hour

Information about the Internet and the Safety for your Child

The Internet is a very powerful resource which can be used for fun, for learning and for keeping in touch with your friends. It can also be a source of great danger especially to the young or the inexperienced online computer user. If you are responsible for a child, it is important that you teach them how to have a safe and enjoyable experience.

Be involved with your child
Talk about how they are using the internet, what sites they are on, who they are talking to online etc. Keep an eye on the chat rooms or clubs your child wants to join to make sure they are safe and legitimate. Also make sure they feel they can tell you about anything that they might have seen or heard online that scares or worries them.

Maturity
Make sure that the content of the internet site your child is using is appropriate for their age. Sometimes it isn’t suitable for children to be using programs such as MSN or social network sites such as Facebook because they aren’t old enough to understand the problems that can arise through usage.

Have adequate safety programs.
Firewalls, virus scans and filters are all very important tools in keeping your family safe. Most of them come in one package and make it much easier to keep a check on internet threats.

Cyber Bullying:
This is the online equivalent of schoolyard bullying.
How to avoid it:
- Recognise the effect. Online bullying can be just as damaging as bullying in real life.
- Don’t respond to the messages and always tell your parent. You can even change your contact details.

Online Grooming
Strangers trying to make friends and gain your trust, they often misrepresent their age and their gender in order for you to trust them.
How to avoid it:
- Never tell anyone you meet your phone number, or address or other personal details.
- Never arrange a meeting with someone new that you have chatted with online.

Repetitive Motion Injuries and Eyestrain
Playing video games can make your muscles, joints, skin or eyes hurt. Follow these instructions to avoid problems such as tendonitis, carpal tunnel syndrome, skin irritation or eyestrain:
- Avoid excessive play. Parents should monitor their children for appropriate play
- Take a 10-15 minute break every hour, even if you don’t think you need it
- If your hands, wrists, arms or eyes became tired or sore while playing, or if you feel symptoms such as tingling, numbness, burning or stiffness, stop and rest for several hours before playing again.
- See a doctor if these symptoms persist.

Radio Frequency Interference
- The Nintendo DS system can emit radio waves that can effect the operation of nearby electronics including cardiac pacemakers.
- Do not operate the Nintendo DS system within 25cm of a pacemaker while using the wireless feature.
- If you have a pacemaker or other implanted medical device, do not use the wireless feature without first consulting your doctor.

Viruses
These are harmful programs which can damage your computer and be sent on to infect other computers.

How to avoid it:
- Install and regularly update anti-virus software on your computer.
- Never open attachments unless they come from someone you know and trust.

Where to find more information about computer viruses and internet safety:
- Commonwealth of Australia
  - http://www.cybersmart.gov.au
- UK Government
- British Government
  - www.getsafeforl.org

Some commonly used terms and what they mean

Attachments:
A file sent with emails.

Chat room:
A place on the internet where people can communicate openly and anonymously in a forum type setting.

Download:
Transferring files from the internet to your computer.

Filter:
A program that can block access to some internet services or stop file types from being viewed.

Firewall:
Can be used to stop hackers or viruses accessing your computer.

Spam:
Spam is electronic 'junk mail' sent by email. It can contain viruses.

Spyware:
Unwanted programs often loaded unknowingly that collect private information (such as bank details etc.)