

August 11, 2010

Dear Parents,

In addition to the use of photos, video, and voice recordings that are used throughout the school year (such as class pictures, plays, shared video recordings of projects), our class uses the internet as an integral tool in our program/curriculum.

Ortona Elementary is very fortunate to be part of PROJECT TIDES, a state grant aimed at putting mobile technology into the hands of our intermediate students. Students will be given the opportunity to use ipod touches, ipads, and macbooks on a daily basis to allow students to:

- Utilize technology and gain skills through safe internet use that will be an asset in further education, interests, and careers
- Link school and home with continuing assignment/projects
- Share with parents/relatives what is being taught in their classrooms
- Showcase their knowledge and works

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to call after school or send an email to msshaw@volusia.k12.fl.us.

Please feel free to check out and bookmark the homepage of our class website, presently awaiting the start of the new school year: www.stageforlearning.com

PLEASE SIGN ONE:

I authorize the photographic/video display of my student's work or performance for the reasons listed above. I understand that there will be no identifying information (last names) posted.

_____ Date: _____

I do **NOT** authorize the photographic/video display of my student's work or performance.

_____ Date: _____

If you would like to be kept up to date of your child's finished projects, please provide your email address: _____