

## iWeb

### Classroom Blog

A "blog" is a journal that's posted on the web for others to read. (The word "blog" is short for "web log.") New entries are added periodically; the previous entries (the archive) are always available as well. Typically, blogs are organized so that the newest entries are listed first.

You could create a blog for your opinions about current events. Or your blog could be an ongoing journal of progress on a particular project. You can use the blog format for anything you like, and you can have multiple blogs on the same website. Friends and family can subscribe to your blog so that they will know when you update it.

#### To create a blog:

\*Take some pictures using PhotoBooth and import into iPhoto before you begin.

- Launch iWeb
- Click the Add Page button (shown above) or choose File > New Page.
- In the template chooser, select a template in the list on the left, select a Blog on the right, and then click Choose.
- Three icons appear in the site organizer:
  - Blog:** The main page, which your website visitors see. This page displays excerpts of your most recent entries (up to 50 excerpts).
  - Entries:** Where you create and manage your blog entries. Each entry has its own page; click an entry in the Title list to display the entry.
  - Archive:** The most recent entries appear on the main page; the rest are available in the archive. The main page includes a link to the archive so that your visitors can see all your entries, not just the ones on the main page.
- On the Entries page, replace the placeholder text and graphics with your own.
  - Click on the title bar and enter a name for your blog.
  - Click on the Media button on the bottom of the page and navigate to iPhoto.
  - Choose the pictures you want to use and drag and drop it on the photo placeholder.
  - To add another entry to the blog, click on the Add Entry button.

#### To allow visitors to add comments:

- Select your blog page in the Site Organizer.
- If the Blog & Podcast Inspector isn't open, click Inspector in the toolbar (or choose View > Show Inspector), and then click the Blog & Podcast Inspector button.
- In the Blog pane of the inspector, select "Allow comments."

\*You must publish this page to our school .mac account for this feature to work.

**To publish to our HDS website:**

- Choose File > Publish to a Folder.
- Choose the desktop location to save,
- Create a new folder and name it.
- Click Choose.
- You will need to put the folder on the server and notify me to publish to the web.
- Each time you would update you would need to give me the new folder to replace the original.

If you publish to the school's .mac account you would need to give me the URL to link from our site.