Remote Access

You can access the network at CGGS using Remote Desktop. When you use Remote Desktop you are running programs on the CGGS network not your local machine. You are simply looking at your session through a window to a session on the network - so you can run programs that you don't have on your local computer.

If you have Windows XP or later as your Operating System on your computer you already have all the software you need for Remote Desktop access to the CGGS network.

Using the Remote Desktop Client

As mentioned above if you are running Windows (XP or later), you already have Remote Desktop built-in and don't need to install it. Just start Remote Desktop (once you have connected to the internet) and connect to home.cggs.act.edu.au.
If you are running another windows version the Remote Desktop client can be downloaded from here but you are responsible for installing and maintaining it. The ICT team only supports Remote Desktop on Windows XP or later.

If you want to transfer files between your remote computer and CGGS network you will need to press 'Options' - then select the local resources tab.

On the Local Resources Tab make sure the 'Disk Drives' option is checked at the bottom of the screen (see left)

Then go back to the 'general' tab and press 'Connect'

You will be prompted to logon to the network via a screen that looks just like the one you see when physically on campus. You can switch from a full screen to a windowed display at any time by pressing:

Control+Alt+Pause (all three keys together)

This will allow you to leave your terminal session running while you work on your local machine.

Don't forget to log out at the end of your session!
Transferring Files

If you need to transfer files between your remote session and your local machine you can simply drag the files across. If you look inside 'My Computer' inside your Remote Desktop session, you will see your local drives listed under 'Other' (see below). You can open them and use them just like any other drive.