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1-to-1 Personal Device Program – Years 3 - 6

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are very excited to announce that in 2016 we will be launching our 1-to-1 Personal Device Program for students in Years 3 - 6. After considerable research and evaluation of the types of devices available on the market that best support student learning, the Lenovo Yoga 11e was selected.

Technology is becoming an essential tool to support learning and our program will transition students effectively into using a 1-to-1 device as they move towards secondary school where parent supplied devices are becoming the expectation. Our Personal Device Program is an extension of our existing Information and Communications Technology (ICT) framework and significantly enhances each student's access to technology. The Personal Device Program integrates a digital device into the traditional toolbox that supports learning.



ThinkPad Yoga 11e

The Lenovo Yoga 11e is a touchscreen convertible Windows 10 laptop. The device is well suited to a primary school environment as it is an extremely robust device. It also allows flexible use as both a traditional laptop as well as a tablet device.

We are inviting our families to become part of the Personal Device Program. For the minimal cost of \$2.50 per week for students in Years 3 and 4 and \$4.40 per week for students in years 5 and 6, families can elect to become part of the Personal Device Program.

As part of the Personal Device Program, all students in Years 3 – 6 inclusive will have exclusive use of a Lenovo Yoga 11e each day. The devices will be allocated for the sole use of each student where a family has elected to become part of the program. This will be their personal device. A key feature of the program will be the student's personal responsibility for the care of their device. They will be required to report any issues or faults that may occur to their teacher who will liaise with the school's technician. Being responsible and accountable for their own device and the way they use it is in itself a learning process which will help prepare them for their future as digital citizens.

For students in Years 3 and 4, the computer will be securely stored in a charging station at school each night. For students in Years 5 and 6, the device will be taken home to support a rigorous home learning program. The difference in program cost is due to the devices in the Years 5 and 6 being taken home to support the higher learning needs of students at senior school levels.

During our research, we discovered that a common framework implemented in other schools in 1-to-1 student device programs involved asking parents to purchase or lease their own student device. We have developed a framework that provides a 1-to-1 Personal Device Program in a cost effective manner.

The program cost contributes towards the overall costs of leasing of the devices, onsite and offsite insurance, onsite parts and labour warranty and delivering and supporting all required software.

We are looking forward to the amazing opportunities for learning that the Personal Device Program presents for our students.

Yours sincerely,



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