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1:1 iPad Program 2018

This information package is designed to provide you with information on the 1:1 program, for your child entering Year Four in 2018.

At OLMC we believe that:

- All students can learn, and do so in a variety of ways.
- Meaningful educational technology integration is an essential element to learning in the 21st century.
- Effective teacher up skilling is important in raising competencies for all educators, students and parents.
- Technology is a tool that is one part of a quality learning process.
- Other effective pedagogical strategies need to work in conjunction with technology.
- iPads are neither a substitute nor a replacement for tools we are already using; they are a tool that can be used when they allow for outcomes to be achieved in ways not previously possible.

WHY IPADS?

The use of iPads in the classroom is designed to complement and enhance the current teaching and learning programs. There were many elements that were considered in making the decision to move forward with iPads including school infrastructure, cost, reliability, keyboard add on capability and the wide range of learning opportunities that are made available. We believe the iPad's manageable size and weight makes it a viable option for students interact with on a daily basis.

DEVICE SPECIFICATIONS

The device that we are proposing is the iPad 32GB WiFi only (minimum). We believe that this storage will sufficiently cover the school apps required for students to purchase as well as using the device from Year 4 to 6. As a personal device, families will have the option about whether they choose to customise the device as a personal tool with apps, pictures, videos and music which will utilise some of this storage space as well.

PURCHASING OPTIONS

The purchasing of an iPad and accessories is the responsibility of the parent for students entering Year Four in 2018. Below is some more detailed information regarding the purchase expectations.

It is an expectation of all students that they have the following accessories for their device:

- Sturdy iPad case
- Keyboard
- Headphones
- \$50 iTunes voucher for the purchase of paid applications

These accessories can be purchased from a range of in store and online retailers. It is up to your family as to the type you purchase. The school is happy to assist you in the decision making process if you wish.

The table below outlines ideas for where to purchase your device, currently prices and suggestions for essential iPad accessories. Please note that suggestions for cover, keyboard and headphones proposed are purely for information sharing purposes and the decision about which cover, keyboard and headphones is up to the discretion of the parents.

Requirements	Approximate Cost
iPad WiFi 32GB	\$468 - JB HiFi \$422 - Officeworks
Sturdy iPad case suggestion with keyboard: <i>QODE™ Slim Style Keyboard Case for iPad Air 2 and iPad Air</i>	\$129.95 Belkin online
Sturdy iPad case suggestion without keyboard: <i>STM Dux Case for iPad Air 2 - Blue</i>	\$69.95 - Apple Store
Detachable keyboard suggestion: <i>Logitech Bluetooth Keyboard Blue K380</i>	\$58 - Officeworks
Over ear headphones suggestion: <i>Liquid Ears Volume Limited Headphones Blue</i>	\$12.88 - Officeworks
iTunes \$50 Voucher	\$50

TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS

Some further technical points to consider as we move towards our 1:1 program in 2018 are:

- Wireless access at home – this is not essential but to allow the iPad to access the Internet a home wireless network is required. This is usually provided by a wireless router. A USB device that provides wireless access to a single computer/laptop will not work with the iPad.
- An Apple ID will be needed for use with the iPad to download apps. Please be aware that you need to be at least 13 years old to sign up for an Apple ID so parents need to do this and have control over the password.
- The school will provide a list of apps to parents to download with the paid apps not exceeding the \$50 iTunes voucher supplied by parents at the beginning of the year. Free apps may be requested by the teacher throughout the year and parents will be given at least one full weeks' notice before any app is required to be downloaded.
- Personal apps, games and music can be downloaded onto the iPad with parents' permission for home use but these will be organised into a Home folder and not be accessed during school hours.
- It is the parents' choice how to back-up the iPad either by connecting to an iCloud account or using iTunes and connecting manually but this need to be done on a fortnightly basis so students work is not lost should something go wrong.
- Daily charging to be done each night so that students attend school with a fully charged device.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Our Lady of Mount Carmel School neither recommends or supports the access of social media apps by students. Facebook, Snapchat, Instagram etc are websites that require users to be at least 13 years old to sign up for an account and should not be downloaded onto students personal iPads. Students will have opportunities to share their learning and engage with one another on digital platforms through educationally approved websites where content is able to be monitored by parents and teachers such as Google Classroom. In addition to this, Cyber Safety will be taught in class as well as parent information workshops being available throughout the year to parents.

PARENT SUPPORT

OLMC Staff are available to help parents with the set-up of devices and provide suggestions on where to access to most up to date information in regards to Cyber Safety and Parental Controls. Below are some websites you may wish to access at home.

<p>Apple Support Websites iPad Support: http://www.apple.com/au/support/ipad/ iPad User Guide: http://manuals.info.apple.com/en_US/ipad_user_guide.pdf iPad Back-Up: http://support.apple.com/kb/HT1766</p>	<p>Responsible Use of ICT Support Cyber Smart Website: www.cybersmart.gov.au Cyber Safety: www.cybersafetysolutions.com.au Common Sense Media: www.common Sense Media.org/about-us/our-mission Kid Smart UK: www.kidsmart.org.uk</p>	<p>OLMC Technical Support Contacts julie.kay@cewa.edu.au jessica.harrison@cewa.edu.au kate.dunstan@cewa.edu.au</p>
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