

Plympton Primary School Laptop Program 2024



*"Technology will
never replace great
teachers, but
technology in the
hands of great
teachers is
transformational."*

George Couros

Dear Parents/ Caregivers,

As part of our learning at Plympton Primary students from Year 3 onwards are given the opportunity to purchase their own laptop to aid their learning.

Today, technology has the power to transform lives. It can allow students to access information, people, and ideas that were unthought-of of only a decade ago. Over the course of 2016 and 2017 we have undertaken an extensive audit and consultation with our school community in relation to the use of digital technology within our school. We have examined the physical devices and infrastructure, virtual spaces, as well as the cultural aspects of digital technology. We have looked at all of these elements and examined the best way to develop better futures for our whole school community. With this in mind, we have developed a strategy that we believe will give our students the best digital education now and into the future.

Learning for today... and tomorrow

The 21st Century is already throwing up challenges and left education wondering how we best go about preparing our students for a rapidly changing future. At Plympton we want our students to have a skillset that will enable them to be successful in whatever field they choose. This means students who are:

- Confident
- Resilient
- A Problem Solver
- A communicator
- A collaborator
- An influencer
- An evaluator



ICT and the Australian Curriculum

The Australian Curriculum depicts the skills required for students through the ICT capability. It states students need to manage and operate ICT, as well as apply social and ethical protocols when using them. In order to achieve this, it states students will do 3 things: investigate, communicate and create with ICT. At Plympton we have begun the journey of integrating these General Capabilities throughout all areas of the curriculum. The use of ICT is no longer a standalone part of the curriculum, it is an interwoven and essential part of all curriculum areas.

Why a personal device? What are the benefits?

The use of a personal device gives greater opportunity to develop the skills required for an ever increasing digital world, as well as address the General Capabilities of the Australian Curriculum. Having their own personal device will allow students and teachers to address these elements of the curriculum by:

We have looked at a range of devices over our time researching and developing this strategy and as a result have a purchase portal to give you some options

The devices selected and on our portal are similar to devices students have used in the past. They are durable and commercial grade, meaning you could not walk into a shop and simply buy it. They come with a 3 year warranty and on-site service. ***Families are able to use other providers to purchase a laptop should they desire. If this option is chosen, maintenance and repairs need to be managed by the family, however the school will still support with the setup of the device.***

Having a personal laptop allows students greater access to software and websites in an online environment for both school and home use. As part of DE agreements, students will have free access to the Microsoft 365 suite of products through the use of their school email. This includes online versions of the different products, as well as downloads available for offline use.

Students will also have greater access to other software packages and websites already paid for by the school. These include World Book Online,

<u>General Capability</u>	<u>Benefit of Personal Device</u>
<u>Investigate, communicate and create with ICT</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Independent, anywhere, anytime learning. The mobility of a laptop gives students and teachers the opportunity to extend learning and inquiry outside the classroom. • Giving greater opportunities to become fluent in 21st century skills, such as problem solving, information and media literacies • Differentiation and personalisation of learning • Collaboration between students, teachers, experts and a globally connected community. • Access to varied learning content in shared online spaces • The ability to digitally capture learning and share learning and assessment between school and home.
<u>Apply social and Ethical Protocols</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Being able to apply cyber-safety principles learnt in classrooms at school and home, including digital information security practices and personal security practices • The ability to teach ethical and responsible use of ICT, including recognising ownership of digital products
<u>Manage and Operate ICT</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and safely operate appropriate devices and software • Having the ability to choose and use appropriate software to create content • Ability to keep and access personal media

Literacy Pro, Makers Empire 3D Software and StudyLadder to name a few. These continue to develop and evolve as new products become available.

The Parent Portal

This year we have 2 devices for purchase on our portal. One is a standard laptop. It is strong and durable. The total price is **\$638 (includes upgrade to 3 year warranty)**. The other is convertible touch notebook with stylus that can be used in 3 ways. The total price **\$550**. Both devices come loaded with Windows 10, and all students will have access to Microsoft Office 365 with the use of their edpass email accounts.

Both devices come with a 3-year, onsite warranty managed by the school. Insurance is another alternative. This can be purchased with the device. We recommend some insurance on the device. If you choose to add insurance through the portal, please read the PDS before purchasing. The benefit of purchasing through the Portal is that any repairs required can be managed by the school in consultation with LWT and ACER.

	Acer Travelmate B311 Spin - 11.6", Pent N6000, 4GB, 128GB, Stylus 	Acer Travelmate B311 - 11.6" Non Touch, Celeron, 4GB, 128GB 
Price	\$550 inc. GST	\$638 inc. GST
Operating System	Windows 10 National Pro Academic	Windows 10 National Pro Academic
CPU	Intel Pentium Silver N600 4 Cores up to 3.3GHz	Intel Celeron N5100 4 Cores up to 2.8GHz
Screen	11.6 Inch Touch screen with active stylus	11.6 Inch Touch Display non touch
Memory	4 GB DDR4 Memory	4 GB DDR4 Memory
Hard Drive	128GB SSD	128GB SSD
Battery	Up to 10 Hours	Up to 10 Hours
Weight	1.49kg	1.4kg

How to purchase through the portal

Parents are able to purchase the device from a purchase Portal provided by Learning with Technology (LWT).

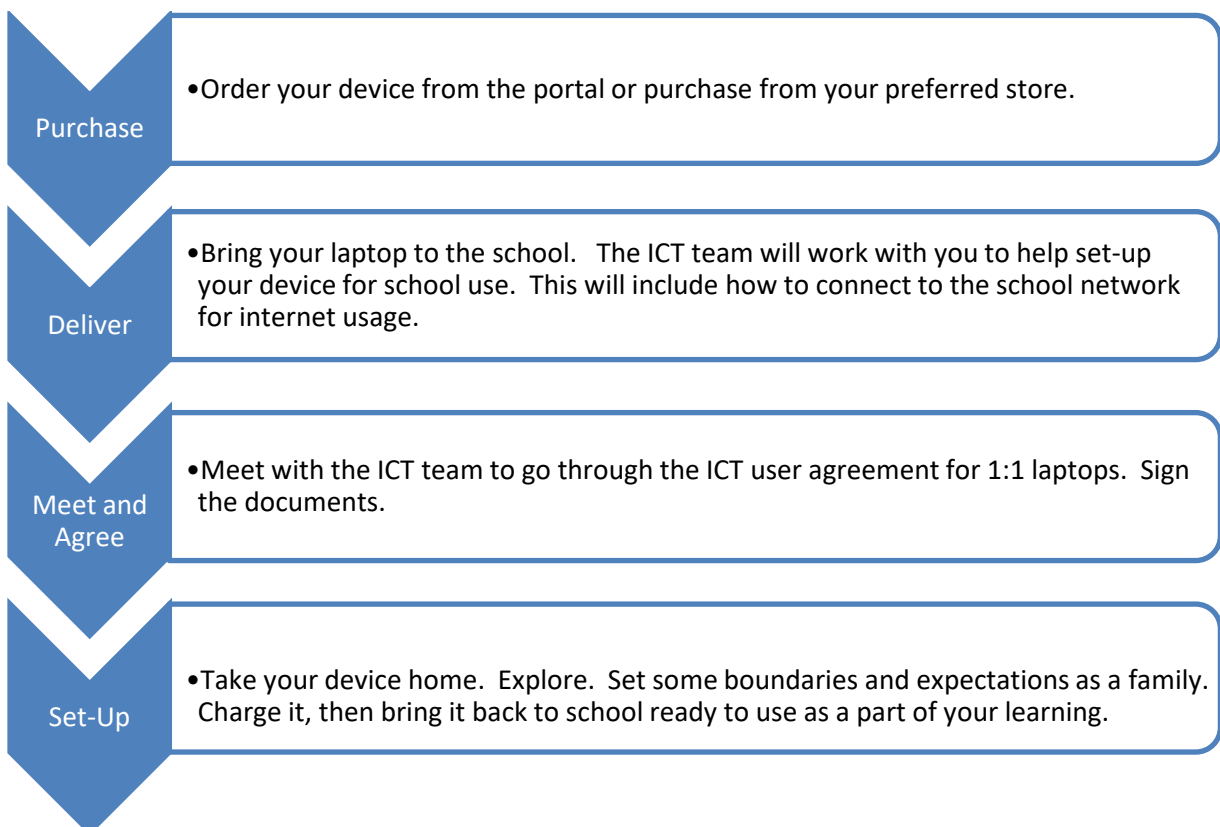
In order to purchase the device, please follow the link to:

<https://jhsacer.orderportal.com.au/Welcome?ofid=519&eid=62547>

The device is delivered to your home from LWT. LWT has a range of payment options available through the portal for your convenience. As with all payment plans, please ensure you are aware of all terms and conditions before entering into them.

On delivery of the device, the IT team will meet with the family to set up the device for school use. This will include password set-up and connection into the school network. You and your student will also need to complete a BYOD user agreement as well as the DE ICT user agreement. Upon completion of these documents and the installation of certificates, the device will then be ready for use at both school and home.

The Process: From Purchase to Classroom



For further information, please do not hesitate to contact the school on 8293 1227, or via email: dl.0346.info@schools.sa.edu.au

BYOD User Agreement and Responsibilities

At Plympton Primary School, digital devices, school network and internet services are used to enhance teaching and learning. The use of personal devices is an increasing part of living in a connected digital world. It is also a privilege. Inappropriate or unauthorised use of these devices may result in these privileges being removed. Students must agree to the following agreement.

This agreement describes the acceptable use of these digital learning tools at our school and the responsibilities that each member of our school community has in order for this to happen. These are described under 3 headings that match the capabilities sited in the Australian Curriculum:

1. Applying Social and Ethical protocols and practices when using ICT

Students will apply appropriate practices when using their Laptops. Only the Internet gateway will be used at school. Use sites that are recommended by your teachers and parents and recognise the intellectual property of others, ensuring all software is legally licensed. They will apply personal security protocols by keeping passwords secure and only sharing content that is allowed.

2. Investigating, Creating and Communicating with ICT

Students use appropriate tools safely to share and exchange information with others. They will use appropriate sources when investigating and report any unsafe content to a member of staff to allow for further follow up.

3. Managing and Operating ICT

Students will operate Laptops safely. They will select and use selected and appropriate programs while at school. They will store them in predetermined locations when asked to. Students will seek assistance when troubleshooting issues.

Student Responsibilities:

1. Follow all of the rules as stated in the DE User Agreement and Responsibilities.
2. Take care of your laptop. Keep it in a case and ensure your bag is not thrown, dropped or kicked around.
3. Bring your device fully charged to school each day. **No charging facilities will be available at school.**
4. Only use your device to support your learning at school. No sharing of personal devices.
5. Only use your laptop during class time. **It is not to be used before or after school or at recess/lunch time.**
6. Store your device in the classroom. Students must inform teachers their device is at school.

School Responsibilities:

1. Teach effective and appropriate cyber-safety for students from R-7.
2. To provide effective infrastructure to allow students to connect to the school network.
3. To keep devices secure by locking all classrooms at break times.

The school has the right to collect and examine any device that is suspected of causing problems on the network, inappropriate use (e.g. filming without permission or inappropriate searches) or was the source of a security attack.

Family Responsibilities

1. Families are responsible for monitoring the use of the laptop at home. A family discussion/ agreement are recommended.
2. To ensure all material on the laptop must be legally licensed and suitable for a primary aged student.
3. To report any misuse of their child's device to the school to enable a fix.

Internet

Only the Internet gateway will be used at school. Any other method of connecting to the internet while the device is at school is not permitted.

Security and Damage

The student will be responsible for their own device and protective sleeves are recommended. Plympton Primary takes no responsibility for damage incurred to the device either at school or in transit to and from school and insurance is the responsibility of the family.

Warranty

Issues regarding the device that are covered by warranty will be organised through the school. The device will be returned to school and the repairs then organised directly with LWT and/or ACER.

1:1 learning program

We have read, understood and agree to follow all responsibilities as outlined in the Plympton Primary School 1:1 Learning Student and Parent Agreement.

Staff Name: _____

Staff Signature: _____

Date: _____

Student Name: _____

Student Signature: _____

Parent Name: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____