Dear Parents,

You have received this survey because you have a child entering Year 3 in 2016. The 1:1 laptop initiative for students in Years 3-6 has been in operation since 2010. From next year, however, the initiative will be broadened to include iPads. Children may bring either an iPad or an Apple MacBook to school.

Important things you should know:

• Every child will have access to an iPad or MacBook, regardless of a family's capacity to provide a device.
• If a family wishes their child to use a school device, a refundable one-off bond of $250 is required for the device to be taken home. If the device stays at school, there is no cost at all.
• If a family decides to provide their child with an iPad or MacBook, it is strongly recommended that parents seek their own insurance against theft and accidental damage. Department of Education insurance does not cover personal items.
• Families providing a personal device will have the flexibility to choose whichever device best suits their circumstances.
• We do not recommend any specific iPad or MacBook model for use at school. iPad Air 2, iPad Air, iPad Mini 4 and iPad Mini 2 are all appropriate devices for students to use. iPad 2 (the older model that is available second-hand) is also acceptable, although its longevity will be a lot shorter than the other models. 16GB models are acceptable for school use, although parents may consider iPads with larger storage. Any MacBook is suitable (including the discontinued white MacBook), although MacBook Air and MacBook Pro are preferred models. We believe the 11” MacBook Air is a good choice.
• Android (non-Apple) tablets and laptops will not be supported by the school.
• A hard shell protective case is highly recommended for iPads and a neoprene sleeve is recommended for MacBooks. An external USB back-up device is also recommended for MacBooks.
• MacBook bundle prices are available from Rosman Computers in Thirroul via our online ordering portal on the Programs page of our website. iPad prices are also available on the website. Rosman is our preferred supplier, but of course, iPads and MacBooks may be sourced anywhere.
• Should you elect to provide an iPad, a list of essential app’s has been provided on our website.

Peter Holmes
Principal
11/11/15
1:1 iPad/MacBook Survey For Year 3, 2016

Please complete the following survey and return to school by Friday 20 November. Thank you very much.

☐ I intend to provide my child with an iPad or MacBook to bring to school next year.

☐ I am considering providing my child with an iPad or MacBook to bring to school next year.

☐ I would prefer my child to use a school-owned iPad or MacBook.

Additional comments: ………………………………………………………………………………
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Child’s name: ...........................................

Parent's name: ...........................................

Parent’s signature: ...........................................

Date: .................................................