

## **iPad Information for Families With Students in K-2**

### ***Important things you should know:***

- Every child will have access to an iPad, 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, it is strongly recommended that parents seek their own insurance against theft and accidental damage. Department of Education insurance does not cover personal items.
- iPads may be used by students in Years 3-6, so there is no requirement for parents to provide both a laptop and iPad. Conversely, laptops may be used across K-2. Parents have the flexibility to choose what best suits them.
- We do not recommend any specific iPad 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.
- Android (non-Apple) tablets will not be supported by the school.
- A hard shell protective case is highly recommended.
- Clear protocols will be explained to children about caring for and managing their devices. Basically, the rules applying to laptop use will apply to iPads as well.

### ***iPad App's Required for Use at School:***

Depending on which model iPad you have, your device may already have some of the app's required for school use.

The following four app's come pre-loaded on current model iPads and are therefore free on those devices. For older iPads, you may need to purchase these app's if you don't already have them. [Create an Apple ID](#) if you don't have one, visit the iTunes Store within iTunes, login with your Apple ID and search for the app's.

Pages  
Keynote  
iMovie  
GarageBand

Free app's we'd like you to install are as follows:

Google Drive  
Google Chrome  
TouchCast Studio  
Showbie

App's which have a cost are as follows:

Explain Everything (\$5.99)  
Book Creator (\$7.99)

***iPad Prices:***

The Apple Store has details of recommended retail prices and specifications for each of the various models.

Josh Landman, Director at Rosman Computers in Thirroul, invites parents to shop around but encourages parents to contact his store prior to purchasing elsewhere. He may be able to do a deal! Rosman's number is 4267 4299.

Rosman can provide Otterbox Defender protective cases, along with iPads. An Otterbox for the iPad mini costs \$79 while a case for iPad Air costs \$99. Parents may wish to find an alternative protective case.

An iPad purchased from Rosman will attract a \$5 discount off RRP and if parents purchase an iPad with an Otterbox protective case, the discount will be \$20. Please identify yourself as a Mount Ousley Public School parent for the discount.