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Dear Parents/Guardians

Learning Technology for 2016

The required device and links to the specific software (apps) is described in this letter. We continue to be impressed by the level of creativity and productivity of the students using the iPad in their learning and have been impressed by the degree to which staff have been enabled in their teaching by students having access to a 21st century learning tool, and also by the general high quality of work students have produced in response to learning tasks. All students will be required to have access to at the specified models noted in this letter and apps listed for their year level ready for learning in 2016.

Required Device:
Students in Year 7 to 12 will have an iPad Air 2 64Gb (wifi) as the essential learning technology. Many students using the iPad 2, 3, 4 and iPad Air have reported that the device is no longer fast enough to keep up with the task requirements of teachers. You can identify which model iPad your daughter currently has here:

The minimum recommended iPad for 2016 is the iPad Air 2 64Gb, or the iPad Pro 32Gb Wifi. Parents may choose to purchase the iPad as part of the Office Max booklist or separately to their preference.

Required Apps:
Please refer to the College website which lists the required apps and iBooks for each year level. Please access this list and help your daughter ensure all apps are installed and ready to be used: [link to College website for apps and digital texts]. During the year students may be required to purchase other apps. The College recommends parents provide their daughter with a $25 iTunes card to cover the cost of these if needed. More information is provided on the iPad FAQ on the College website.

Thank you for your ongoing support of the College’s “Anywhere, Anytime, Learning” initiative to help ensure that the College maintains its level of academic excellence and provides the very best learning environment for our young women as they move into a future that increasingly relies on the latest technological knowledge and digital information. More information is provided in the FAQs located on the College website.

For more detailed information a Parent Information Evening on the effective use of technology in your daughter’s learning will be held on Wednesday 3 February 2016.

Yours sincerely

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