

The Priory School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As you may be aware, two years ago the school took the step to introduce the the *iPads for Learning* scheme. This is now successfully embedded within the school for year 9, 10 and 11 students and has proven to be a valuable learning tool both inside and outside of the classroom.

I am contacting you with regards to the scheme, which we intend to offer to all Year 8 students this year. We are delighted to invite you and the students into school to attend the launch night and the event is scheduled for **November 8th 2016** and will run from 7pm until 8:30pm.

We appreciate the time that you would invest in attending the event, and as such we aim to make it as informative, inspiring and transparent as possible. The evening will commence in the Main Hall with several presentations, firstly from me, and I will be sharing the aspirations of the project for the school, alongside Mr Walters, Lead Teacher for *iPads for Learning*, who will be explaining the impact of the project on the classroom. In addition, Mr Wright, Finance Director, will be on hand to explain all of the technical and financial aspects of the scheme.

Following the presentations, we have also arranged several drop-in sessions for you to visit. Our IT Department will be providing technical support, making it clear how the iPad device can be deployed at home and in the classroom. We will also have a representative of SLT who will be more than happy to answer queries in relation to our Pupil Premium students in school. Finally, there will be a number of practical demonstrations around school, run by both staff and students, should you wish to see the iPads being used actively and confidently in a classroom environment.

Furthermore, following the evening's activities, refreshments will be provided along with an opportunity for you to place an order and sign up to the scheme. However signing up will not be limited to this night and there will be a window of opportunity to sign up after the evening. We appreciate that pricing and the implications of this is undoubtedly an important aspect of the evening, our intention is for you to feel able to make an informed and confident choice in joining the *iPads for Learning* scheme. We are currently in the process of finalising pricing and insurance for this year's scheme, to ensure that we offer parents and carers the best possible product and value, and as such this information will be available in an additional letter on Personalised Planning Day on Friday November 4th.

In the meantime if you have any questions regarding the scheme that you don't feel will be addressed on the evening, please don't hesitate to contact the school via <u>ipadsforlearning@priory.shropshire.sch.uk</u>. To assist with planning, I would be grateful if you could fill in and return the attached slip confirming your attendance.

We will look forward to seeing you there.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Barratt Principal

iPads for Learning – Launch Night Date: November 8th 2016 Name: ______ Form: _____ I/We will be attending I/We are unable to attend Please return to the School Post Box for the attention of Mrs Tina Bowler