

The Priory School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

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As you may be aware, three years ago the school took the step to introduce the *iPads for Learning scheme*. This is now successfully embedded within the school for years 9, 10 and 11 and has proven to be a valuable learning tool within the classroom; supporting both pedagogy and students' own, independent learning.

We are, therefore, continuing the option for parents of Year 8 students to purchase an iPad, for their child to use in their lessons and to support work at home. As a school, we recognise that the purchase of an iPad is a considerable decision for parents, so we offer an option to either buy outright, as well as a 12 and 24 month repayment plan. However, we would like to emphasise there is no obligation for a parent to make this purchase and your son or daughter will not be disadvantaged if you do not. All departments currently use banks of iPads to support classes where not all students own one. The benefits of having their own device include easier access to a high quality tablet, which would have the frequently used apps readily available for their own personal use and they would also not have to hand the iPad back at the end of each lesson. The payment options, which include a 3 year warranty and 3 year insurance policy are listed below. If your child is in receipt of pupil premium funds the school will fund 50% of the cost of a tablet bought through our scheme. You need to process your order in the same way and school will deduct the cost.

The pricing for the scheme this year is as follows:

| iPad 5 | Base Price | Case | Apps | 3Yr Warranty | Insurance (3Yr ADT) | Admin Fee | Total | Purchase Outright | Monthly Repayments |
|--------------|---------------|--------|--------|-----------------|------------------------|--------------|---------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Outright | £265.00 | £17.00 | £10.00 | £37.50 | £90.00 | £- | £419.50 | £419.50 | |
| 12 Months | £265.00 | £17.00 | £10.00 | £37.50 | £90.00 | £12.00 | £431.50 | | £35.96 |
| 24 Months | £265.00 | £17.00 | £10.00 | £37.50 | £90.00 | £24.00 | £443.50 | | £18.48 |

We will be providing a list of frequently asked questions on the *iPads for Learning* page of our school website. So that we can ensure students receive their iPad in time for the start of the next school term we will begin taking orders via the ParentPay account for your child, starting on **Monday 6**th **November and closing on Monday 20**th **November.**

Please be aware that we will be unable to process orders placed after this date. We anticipate an estimated hand out date (dependent on delivery), to students on **Tuesday 12**th **December from 3.30pm to 5.30pm**.

If your child already has their own iPad they can bring this into school as part of our Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) scheme. We will be releasing a separate letter in due course, where a reply slip must be returned verifying that the tablet is covered by your own insurance and that the student will comply to the school's IT user policy before these can be brought in for use in lessons.

Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the iPads team on ipadsforlearning@tpstrust.co.uk.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Alison Bell

Deputy Principal