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Dear Parents and Carers

I am writing to you today with important and exciting updates about the 1:1 devices and our approach to digital learning.

We are delighted to offer free iPads to all students in Years 7 to 10 to power up their learning and unlock their potential. In this letter, you will find essential information about:

- · How your child can make the most of their device
- Guidance for looking after the device and your responsibilities
- The Acceptable Use Agreement

1. Taking your child's iPad home

If your child isn't currently taking their iPad home, they will be able to from Tuesday 28 June providing that you have read the Acceptable Use Agreement Terms & Conditions and you and your child have signed the agreement through the google form before your child can take the ipad home.

2. Use of apps at school and home

We have updated our approach to using apps to ensure your child's safety while also providing more flexibility when they are using their device.

Your child's iPad will have a variety of learning apps automatically downloaded onto their device.

You can also download various entertainment apps for your child to use outside of school. These approved apps include:

- Streaming services such as BBC iPlayer and Netflix
- Social media (for children aged 14 and above)

The approved entertainment apps are age-appropriate, and social media apps are only available to students aged 14 and above. You can view a complete list of apps at:-

https://www.greatwyrleyacademy.org.uk/teaching-and-learning/digital-learning/app-list-by-year-group/

You will have control over which entertainment apps your child has access to, as you will be able to download them to your child's iPad or remove them if preferred.

This new approach to managing apps means you no longer need to use a personal Apple ID when using the device during school holidays.









3. Looking after your child's device

Your child is responsible for taking good care of their iPad and keeping it safe.

We ask that you ensure that your child cares for and respects their device as they would with any school equipment they use.

We provide a robust protective case for the iPad and guidance on how to care for the device. Where it's clear a student has maliciously damaged the device, the cost of replacing or repairing the device will be expected from parents/carers.

You will be required to sign an Acceptable Use Agreement outlining the responsibilities and expectations of you and your child. Please sign and return the agreement by Monday 27 June 2022. The agreement will be sent to you with this letter. You and your child will be required to sign your agreement on a google form. The link to this form is:-

https://forms.gle/XZkgZeg5Re1ufPF87

The Acceptable Use Agreement/Terms and Conditions can also be found on our school website under https://www.greatwyrleyacademy.org.uk/teaching-and-learning/digital-learning/acceptable-use-agreement/

If we don't receive the signed agreement by this date, your child won't be able to use their iPad on Tuesday 28 June.

4. Supporting your child in safely using the device

We use Securly safeguarding software on your child's device so they can use it safely and to protect them from accessing potentially harmful online content.

While this provides excellent online safety for your child it doesn't mitigate all online risks. You are responsible for ensuring they use their iPad responsibly, safely and respectfully at school and home. You can find further details in the Acceptable Use Agreement.

5. Day-to-day good habits

We want to ensure that your child can use their device effectively to maximise their learning. To support this, we ask that you follow some simple day-to-day habits, including:

- Making sure your child brings their iPad fully charged to school each day
- Deleting unnecessary videos and images to optimise performance
- Ensuring your child doesn't download films or videos from streaming services or other media content onto their device, unless instructed by a teacher

You can find full details in the Acceptable Use Agreement.

Further information and questions

You can find further information and answers to FAQs here https://www.greatwyrleyacademy.org.uk/teaching-and-learning/digital-learning/faqs/

If you have any other questions or queries, please contact us on 01922 419311 or email info@greatwyrley.windsoracademytrust.org.uk

Yours sincerely

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