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Dear Parent/Carer,

Pupil iPad Deployment

We are excited to announce that the deployment of iPads to every young person in the school will commence on 7th September.

As you may know, Glasgow City Council through its 'Connected Learning' programme is providing devices to support Digital Inclusion and enable every young person to use technology in learning every day. Staff have had their iPads since May and have been busy learning how to use them to maximum effect in the classroom.

Under normal circumstances, we would have been running a series of parent events to allow you to come and see how we will be using the iPads to improve learning across the school. Unfortunately, COVID-19 has put paid to that for now but we are planning to get this up and running as soon as we can.

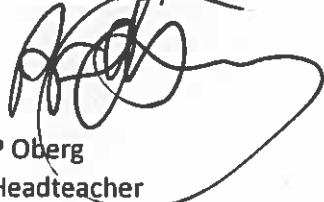
For now, we have attached a home-school agreement that you should sign and return to us indicating that you have understood the responsibilities associated with having the iPad. Please take time to read the home-school agreement. There are a number of important conditions contained within it that you should be aware of.

In addition, we have made a short video outlining the basic 'Do's and Don'ts' of using the iPad in order that you can support your young person in using it effectively. This will be available on the school website from 31st August.

We will be deploying the iPads to senior students in the first instance from 7th September. We hope to complete deployment to the whole school within three weeks of that date.

Thanks you for your continued support. As ever if you have any questions, please contact your young person's Pastoral Care Teacher.

Yours sincerely



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Headteacher

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An iPad for Learning - Home School Agreement

The Connected Learning iPad scheme will provide every young person with an iPad and a range of e-learning tools and resources to assist and enhance their learning at school and at home.

This iPad provided belongs to Glasgow City Council and is traceable through the Council's Mobile Device Management system.

All parties involved (young people, parents and carers, and the school) must agree with all of the terms and conditions outlined below.

As the young person, I agree to:

- Look after my iPad carefully at all times
- Always store my iPad in its supplied case when not in use, and store it in an appropriate school bag when outside my class
- Charge up my iPad every night and bring both the iPad and the supplied charger into school every day unless told otherwise
- Only take my iPad out in class or in a secure environment such as my home
- Never take my iPad out in the playground, when walking between classes or when travelling to and from school unless directed to do so by a teacher
- Only use my iPad in lessons when instructed to by my teacher and close it or put it away when my teacher says so
- Never share my pin code
- Only use programs on my iPad that my teacher has agreed I can use in the lesson
- Only use my iPad to record audio or video clips with the clear and explicit permission of everyone involved in the recording
- Never access inappropriate content on my iPad
- Never remove any asset tags or security markings from my iPad
- Do not allow the iPad to be subject to graffiti
- Immediately report any damage, loss or theft which happens in school to Mr Brown
- Report any technical problems to Mr Brown
- Ensure that all work stored on the iPad is regularly backed up

As a parent and carer, I agree to:

- Ensure that my child cares for and respects their iPad
- Immediately report any loss or theft which happens out of school to the school office
- Ensure that the iPad is used solely by the young person that the school has given it to
- Ensure that the iPad is returned to the school if your young person leaves the school, or at any other time upon the request of a member of staff
- Monitor my child's use of the iPad on the Internet at home, to ensure that only appropriate websites are accessed - the same filtering will apply as in school

The school agrees to:

- Provide pupils with an iPad and access to a range of e-Learning resources
- Give young people an introduction to using and caring for the iPad. This will include a session on security, e-Safety, maintenance and health and safety
- Provide young people with a range of learning opportunities which make use of the iPad, both in school and at home
- Provide parents and carers with ongoing advice to help them support their child's use of their iPad
- Make sure that any repairs required on the iPads are communicated to our IT service provider to ensure they are dealt with as quickly and effectively as possible
- Provide access to wireless internet provision within the school. Provision will be made during school opening hours to allow pupils to complete homework/carry out research using the internet if required. The school will not be responsible for any costs involved, nor content accessed, when the Internet is used out of school
- Issue questionnaires to young people and parents and carers to help us in the ongoing evaluation of the I-pads.

Acceptable Use

We expect all parties concerned (young people, parents and carers, and the school) to follow all the rules and procedures listed on pages 1 and 2. If, however, a young person breaks these rules then the school reserves the right to restrict or remove their access to any school ICT facility as in line with the Pupil Acceptable Use Policy. This policy can be found using the URL www.glasgow.gov.uk/pupilAUP

Young Person

As a young person of this school I agree to abide by the rules for acceptable use of the iPad Home Agreement as set out above.

Pupil Signature _____

Date: __/__/__

Name -----

Class -----

Parent

As the parent, carer or legal guardian of the young person signing above, I grant permission for him/her to the conditions as set above. I agree to encourage him/her to abide by the rules outlined on the Ipad Home Agreement. I have watched the online video on the school website explaining how the ipads will be used in school.

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date __/__/__

