

Dear Parent

IMPORTANT IPAD INFORMATION

I am writing to you with details of the issuing and initial payment of the iPad Mini that all Year 7 pupils will be using at St Cyres.

The purpose of the iPad scheme is to make maximum use of the teaching and learning strategy that has been developed by the school over the last four years. This will enable your child to have full access to exciting and media rich resources to support them in their learning, both at home and in school. They will also benefit from the many tools available on an iPad to assist them with their learning, as well as taking advantage of the enhanced communication methods available, along with easy access to the internet for research purposes.

The cost of the iPads will be met in full by the school as they form part of our exciting and innovative teaching and learning strategy. However, we will be asking parents to pay a one-off contribution of **£50** to cover the cost of the protective case and insurance for the device for the first year. If your child is entitled to free school meals, when this is confirmed by the Vale of Glamorgan you will be entitled to a refund of **£25**. Please remember to apply to the Vale of Glamorgan for the Free School Meal Entitlement.

There will be a further annual payment of **£15** (subject to review annually) per year to cover the insurance for the device and this will start from Year 8 onwards. This will be collected each September at the start of the academic year and I will give you more details on how to pay this in my end of year letter each July. Families in receipt of free school meals will be required to pay half of the annual insurance cost in each subsequent year (that is **£7.50**). The school will then match-fund the balance for free school meal children.

Please read the payment information overleaf.

This is a very innovative and exciting scheme and I very much look forward to meeting you at the Induction Evening and being able to share with you our vision for teaching and learning.

Yours sincerely

Dr Jonathan Hicks
Headteacher

IPAD PAYMENT INFORMATION

When Do I Pay?

- **Wednesday 6 September, 8.00am to 6.00pm**
- **Thursday 7 September, 8.00am to 6.00pm**

How Can I Pay?

- **Cash**
- **Cheque**

When Will I Receive the iPad?

- **Upon payment you will be issued with the iPad Mini and some instructions on how to set it up.**