

October 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

**iPads for Learning Scheme – Year 10 2024 (December) Programme**

I am writing to invite you to join our Year 10 iPad scheme **by Monday 11 November 2024** with iPads planned to be handed out before the Christmas holidays.

To join you will need to set up a direct debit with the Learning Foundation and return an iPad consent form.

This scheme is different from schemes that were in place before the school joined the Red Kite Learning Trust. It will help:

- Improve the experience of classroom learning
- Provide better security and controls for parents and the school
- Help to keep students safe online
- Help students focus on the iPad as a device for learning

The scheme remains a Gift Aid scheme. It will run from Year 10 towards the end of Year 13.

Support in previous years has allowed us to sustain our schemes, but we still need your continuing support and commitment to allow this year's scheme to go ahead. This is why we ask all Parents/Carers to commit to paying the full amount we ask for over the full term of the scheme.

The rules governing Gift Aid schemes dictate that all payments are classed as voluntary and that no student is excluded from the use of an iPad due to financial reasons. Whilst funding is tight, we can offer limited assistance to those households who have difficult financial circumstances. Therefore, if you are unable to commit to paying the full amount over the full term of the scheme, please contact me as soon as possible (and in advance of setting up your direct debit) to discuss the options available.

Gift Aid rules also mean that the iPad remains the property of the school until optionally purchased from us. This means that it cannot be repaired anywhere else other than through the school's repair service. The details of this are readily available on the school's website at

<https://www.rossettschool.co.uk/our-school/ipads-for-learning-/repairslost-ipads/> .

There will be two opportunities to buy the iPad. This will be either at the end of Year 11 (If leaving us) or at the end of the scheme in Year 13. At all other times the iPad must be returned to the school.

This helps us to keep the running costs of the scheme to a minimum.

## **The Year 10 iPad (December) Programme 2024**

All of our schemes are governed by an iPad for Learning Document, and I enclose a copy of the latest version (IPads for Learning Agreement Year 10 (40-month Scheme) September 2024) for your consideration.

Please read this document carefully as by joining the scheme you will be agreeing to its Terms and Conditions - particularly the sections relating to Loss or Damage to iPads, iPad Donations and Ownership.

Students are allowed to remain in the scheme provided they adhere to the current rules, including repairs, in place at any one time. If they do not, they will still have access to a school iPad, but it will be a **Leave at School iPad**, not a scheme iPad.

Please be aware that **Leave at School iPads** are not allowed home. They have this restriction to help prevent further damage and to minimise the cost to parents/carers and school. Homework can still be completed either at school during the working day, or on a home device via a home internet and by logging into each site using their normal student login details. Student emails, and the whole suite of Microsoft Office programmes can be accessed via Microsoft Office 365.

### **Joining the Scheme**

Please **set up a direct debit** with the Learning Foundation (a charitable organisation that deals with the scheme donations on the school's behalf) **starting on the 5 December 2024** using the link below:

<https://lfportal.co.uk/Donation/Index/298>

1. **Please also return the attached iPad Consent form** as soon as possible either by email to [RSipads@rs.rklt.co.uk](mailto:RSipads@rs.rklt.co.uk) or by sending in a hard copy. We cannot issue an iPad out without it.

We ask for:

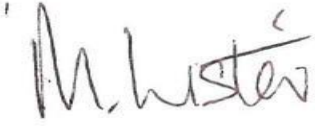
- Direct Debit donations of £13 per month over 40 months starting on the 5 December 2024
  - A commitment to paying the amount agreed at the outset across the whole term of the scheme\*
- \*Should the ability to meet this commitment change at any point please contact the iPads Administrator straight away to discuss the options available

In return we will issue your child with:

- A brand-new 10<sup>th</sup> generation 64GB Wi-Fi model iPad that comes with an Apple charger and charging cable.
  - A school protective case that is only to be removed by a member of the IT Services or iPads team.
  - Apps required for lessons under the Apple for Education licence\*\*
- \*\*The Apple for Education licence including the access to all apps remains with school. This does not transfer with any iPad bought from school.
- Access to the school's repair service which requires a parental contribution of £75\*\*\* towards repair costs.
- \*\*\*Repair fees are separate to the Gift Aid scheme and payable in advance according to the published Repairs Procedure outlined on our website. Whilst we strive to remain generous with our repair cover, Terms and Conditions and repair fees are subject to change at any time.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me on the email below.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "M. Lister". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line across the top of the letters.

**Mrs M Lister**

iPads Administrator for Rossett School

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