



St Michael's Collegiate

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2019 Middle School Prescribed Device Program

Dear Parents / Guardians,

As you would be aware, the use of ICT is embedded within the curriculum at Collegiate, providing valuable support across all learning areas. In the Middle School, we continue to run a successful Prescribed Device program, enabling girls to access, understand and apply 21st century skills via their own individual device.

The 2019 prescribed device has now been finalised and is available for purchase. The Yoga 11e is a robust notebook that has been designed specifically for the educational market. This device is widely used in many schools across Australia.

We have partnered with JB Hi Fi's Educational Division, in order to access very competitive pricing for Collegiate families. To purchase this device, JB Hi Fi have set up an online portal for us that will allow you to order the device and also add a case, spare charger and extended warranty if you so wish. The portal is available at www.jbeducation.com.au/byod/, and the School code to enter is SMCT2019. The checkout also provides a variety of finance options. Please note, the prescribed device must be ordered through the online portal. **It is very important to be aware that these devices are education specific and are not stocked in retail stores.**

We would like to take this opportunity to remind parents that the prescribed device is mandatory for all students in the Middle School. The expected life span of a device of this nature is around 2 to 3 years. The longevity of any notebook computer is closely related to how well it is looked after. A device that is mishandled may not last two years, while a device that is well looked after may last four. Whilst the ICT department will always do their best to support the devices, once the device is out of warranty there is very little that can be done to repair them.

If you wish to purchase a prescribed device as a Christmas present for 2018, we recommend that you place your order no later than 19 November to ensure that the device arrives in time. Otherwise, orders should be placed no later than 8 January 2019 to arrive in time for the start of the 2019 school year.

If you have any questions about the Middle School Prescribed device program, please feel free to contact me at any stage.

Regards,

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