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2026 Student Digital Device Provision

Dear Parents and Carers.

The letter details arrangements for the provision of student digital device for Year 7 & 10 students in 2026. In 2024 the College began the transition to a Parent Purchase model for student devices. This letter outlines information about the models available for Year 7 & 10 students, insurance arrangements, and instructions for parents to access the Learning With Technologies (LWT) portal where purchases are made.

The following points were outlined in 2024 when this change was initiated:

- The change to a Parent Purchase model does require parents to be responsible for a greater share of the cost of student devices than has previously been the case.
- The transition (to be completed by 2026) reflected the College's need to ensure greater financial sustainability for the student device program.
- A Parent Purchase model has been selected ahead of a Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) program
 due to the added burden such programs apply to school IT provision, and greater exposure to
 technology risks.
- Students will not be able to access the SHC network without purchasing an approved device.
- Parents have the option of purchasing the device outright or financing the device. LWT offers financing through the portal, or parents can arrange their own financing through an alternate party.

Device Options

The decision has been taken for 2026 that only one model will be recommended for students at Year 7 and at Year 10. Choice of devices is made by the College's IT teaching specialists and IT system staff. The recommended model for Year 10 has similar specifications and performance to more expensive models and therefore offers value-for-money. The Year 7 & 10 options are detailed below.

Year Level	Device	Details	Warranty and Insurance	Upfront Cost
Year 7	Lenovo 13w 2-in-1 Gen 3	13.3" Touch Screen Intel Core 5 120U CPU 16GB Memory 512 GB Solid State Drive Up to 11 hours of Battery Life Garaged Active Pen Front/rear facing camera	3 Year onsite Warranty (covers impact damage and liquid spills, \$0 excess) Accidental Damage Protection included in warranty. Theft Protection not provided for.	\$1,348
Year 10	Lenovo ThinkPad T14s 2-in-1 Gen 1	14.0" Touch Screen Intel Core Ultra 5 225U CPU 16GB Memory 512 GB Solid State Drive Up to 15 hours of Battery Life External Rechargeable Active Pen Front/rear facing camera	3 Year onsite Warranty (covers impact damage and liquid spills, \$0 excess) Accidental Damage Protection included in warranty. Optional 3 Years Theft Protection.	\$1875

The digital device portal links are now active; families are encouraged to finalise their purchase arrangements by **12**th **December 2025** to ensure that their device(s) are delivered and prepared by the College IT team for use at the start of Term 1 2026 commencement program.

Year 7 Device Order Portal

Year 10 Device Order Portal **

The College acknowledges that purchasing a student laptop is an expensive component of modern education. Families who require assistance with laptop financing and/or school fees are encouraged to contact the College Business Manager, Mr Matthew Shaw (mshaw@shckyneton.catholic.edu.au), or to lodge a confidential concession application per the form below.

Confidential Concession

<u>Application Form</u> ⁴

Yours sincerely,

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