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Dear Parents/Carers of Year 5 students 2021,

BYODD IT REQUIREMENTS FOR YEAR 5, 2021

St Francis Catholic College is a technology rich environment, which integrates technology into all aspects of learning and teaching. We believe that students at St Francis should be equipped to deal with the digital world in which they live. Technology is a powerful tool for collaboration, active participation, critical thinking, innovation and discovery. It also allows students to personalise their learning to suit their individual needs, abilities and interests.

St Francis operates a 1:1 BYODD (Bring Your Own Designated Device) program for all students in Years 5-12. This means that all current Year 4 students moving onwards to Year 5 will be required to supply his/her own **Apple laptop** to use at the College from the start of 2021.

Please find attached, our current information brochure from Educom IT, who are our preferred providers of Apple IT solutions. This brochure outlines the different options and minimum requirements that the College has for Apple Laptops. Educom IT have also created an online portal for the purchase of Macbooks, with an educational pricing structure, that comes with the option of extending the manufacturer's warranty to three years.

The decision on where you purchase your Macbook needs to be made by you as Parents/Carers, as you will have ownership and control of the Macbook. The College strongly recommends the 13 inch MacBook Air as the minimum requirement. Details of the different models are listed in the brochure attached. We also suggest that when you purchase your child's Macbook, you include AppleCare + 3 year Warranty and Accidental Damage Coverage.

The College will provide students with the necessary IT support and software needed for their education.

If you have any questions regarding the above information, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Anthony Glynn, from the College's IT Department, via College Reception on (02) 4645 3400.

Kind regards

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