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Dear Parents/Guardians

**Student Device Roll-out February 2015**

A key strategic focus of Tyndale Christian School is providing student-centred, access anytime/anywhere learning as well as core skills in general Information, Communication and Technology (ICT) competence. We recognise that technology is a key enabler in this pursuit and over the past few years, the School has been considering the way forward regarding the use of computers and other related devices by the student cohort. The School concluded that it needed to move towards a 1:1 student device environment that included the capacity for students to take these devices home. Since this decision, a significant amount of work has been done to ensure that the ICT infrastructure has the capacity to support such a change, and this has now been completed.

Therefore, the School is very excited to announce a major change to student learning as of the beginning of next year. From the end of January we will commence a roll out of brand new devices (iPads, notebooks) that will mean that, by the commencement of 2017, every student from Years 4 - Year 12 will have their very own (school owned) personal device. Further, the number of school devices available to students from Reception to Year 3 will be significantly increased over the same time period.

We are sure that this statement has caused a number of questions to leap out at you! So, we have addressed a number of these areas in the attached *Frequently Asked Questions* document.

A detailed plan for January/February 2015 has been put together that will enable all families to receive first-hand information about the device rollout and for students to receive their personal device for the applicable year levels. Information sessions and device hand-outs for the appropriate year level groups in each sub-school will be provided in a separate email to these families.

We are very excited about these developments and the ability to enhance your student’s learning.

For further updates on these developments please visit our website at: [http://tyndale.sa.edu.au/news-events/school-news?article=3918&path=home](http://tyndale.sa.edu.au/news-events/school-news?article=3918&path=home)

Yours sincerely

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