



Digital Learning and iPad Policy in the Junior School

For the past five years, teachers and students have been using iPads to support and enhance teaching and learning at the school. We know that there are widely recognised educational benefits of digital technology in student learning and with the introduction of Seesaw from R - 7, we are utilising the technology to communicate with students and parents in real time.

The school continues to upgrade our computing infrastructure and is also providing extensive professional development to teachers. Staff and students are also supported by four e-Learning coordinators.

We recognise that students bringing their own device to the school is a significant undertaking for the College and a large expense for parents. This is why we have phased in the introduction of 1:1 devices. In 2020 the students in Years 3, 4 and 5 will be required to have their own iPad, capable of running the latest iOS Operating System. Students in Reception - Year 2 will have access to iPads provided by the College.

To assist in your decision making and ease of purchase, included in your Orientation Pack is information on the **The School Locker Portal** and our **Year 3 - 9 Digital Learning Handbook: Frequently Asked Questions**.

The Digital Learning Handbook has been produced so that busy parents can find the answers to all of the common questions associated with the use of school technology. It is also easily accessed on the College website, by following the directions below:

www.woodcroft.sa.edu.au → Quicklinks → Digital Learning

Junior School iPad Policy

Students in the Junior School are taught to use their iPads responsibly and for educational purposes only.

In the Junior School, iPads should only be used in class under teacher direction.

All non-school notifications should be turned off.

Use of "Hot Spots" to access online platforms is forbidden.

Use of "iMessage" is not allowed under any circumstances. It should be turned off in Settings.

The Junior School does not advocate the use of "iMessage" for group conversations outside of school hours. Students should not add other people to group messages, or message/contact others outside of school, without their permission.

No photos/video are to be taken at school without teacher permission.

Students should not access their iPads at recess, lunchtime, before or after school, whilst on the school grounds.

Each student is responsible for having their iPad fully charged at the start of the school day and/or have access to a charging cable throughout the day.

Students are not allowed to access any games or social media on their iPad during school hours. In addition, Apps that are not age appropriate should not be on student iPads whilst at school.

Any breach of the above expectations will be followed up by the Leader of Wellbeing or Head of Junior School.



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