

19th June 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

As you may be aware students in school have been using Windows laptops both in and out of lessons to support their learning. Students who already have an Apple or Android device are welcome to continue using these in school, they will remain supported. However, if you are looking to purchase a new device for your child then we strongly recommend a Windows based laptop, options for purchasing one can be found below. We **do not** recommend a 'full-sized' laptop as these are typically much bulkier and more likely to be damaged during the school day.

## Option 1:

Acer TravelMate B3 Spin - £300.00 inc. VAT

11.6" HD Touchscreen - Intel Celeron N5100 - 8 GB RAM - 128GB Storage

These devices will be available to be purchased through school at the start of term in September. Further details can be found on the relevant ParentPay service. Payment in full by Friday 13th September or a £120 deposit by this date followed by further payments to pay off the balance by Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2025.

**Option 2:** While you are welcome to choose a different device, we would ask that you consider the specifications of Option 1 as a recommendation. Please be aware that dropping below this recommended specification will result in reduced performance and longevity throughout the device's lifespan.

If you require any additional information regarding the scheme including how the school might be able to support families in financial difficulties then please feel free to contact me at <a href="mailto:simon-calvert@st-aidans.lancs.sch.uk">simon-calvert@st-aidans.lancs.sch.uk</a>. Should you have any technical questions, please contact Tom Entwisle at <a href="mailto:tom-entwisle@st-aidans.lancs.sch.uk">tom-entwisle@st-aidans.lancs.sch.uk</a>.

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