Mitcham Primary School Chromebook Program

Digital Learning

Digital Technologies are an important part of the educational approach at Mitcham Primary School.

For a number of years, the school has worked hard to ensure students have access to the best and latest technology; including laptops, Chromebooks, touchscreens desktop computers, and tablets.

From Grade 3 to Grade 6, we strongly encourage all students to have a **Chromebook device**.



Through increased access to technology, our students can leverage learning tools that are highly differentiated, collaborative and experiential. Technology opens up doors in education previously inaccessible and can enhance learning outcomes, alongside quality instruction. It also provides increased connectivity between school, home and the community, opening up new ways to explore learning outside of the traditional classroom. Digital device programs can extend formal learning communities to include parents, siblings and other people important in students' lives.

1 to 1 device programs are an element in an international move towards individualising learning, which can increase independence and self-initiated learning in students, and extend their learning beyond

In the digital technologies curriculum, students create quality designed solutions across a range of technologies contexts, where they plan and manage projects from conception to realisation.

(Victorian Department of Education & Training, 2023) the classroom. Students who have their own devices have been found to take greater pride and ownership over the knowledge they create, with a flow-on to more flexible forms of schooling.

The opportunity for children to build their ability to choose appropriate devices for tasks is a valuable aspect of building student voice and agency. As adults, we are constantly moving between devices based on the tasks we need to complete. We hope to foster this skill by exposing students to a range of technological devices as additional educational tools to use *alongside* their Chromebook device.

Our Commitment to Safety

Mitcham Primary School believes the teaching of cyber safe and responsible online behaviour is essential in the lives of students and is best taught in partnership between home and school.

21st century students spend increasing amounts of time online, learning and collaborating. To be safe online and to gain the greatest benefit from the opportunities provided through an online environment, students need to do the right thing by themselves and others online.

Safe and responsible behaviour is explicitly taught at our school and Parents/Carers are requested to reinforce this behaviour at home.

Mitcham Primary School uses the Google Suite, internet, and digital technologies as teaching and learning tools. We see the internet and digital technologies as valuable resources, but acknowledge they must be used responsibly.

Your child has been asked to agree to use the Google Suite, internet and other technologies responsibly at school through the enclosed Acceptable Use Agreement. Parents/Carers should be aware that the nature of the internet is such that full protection from inappropriate content can never be guaranteed.

Digital Learning at Mitcham Primary School includes:

- A Chromebook Program for mainstream students in Grade 3 to Grade 6, and Cycle 3 students
- Policies in place that outline the values of the school and expected behaviours when students use digital technology and the internet
- A filtered internet service while at school
- Supervision and direction in online activities and when using digital technologies for learning

- Support for students in developing digital literacy skills
- Support to parents/carers to understand this agreement, e.g. language support
- Learning about the expected behaviours when working online.



Chromebook Program

At Mitcham Primary School, we offer a Chromebook Program for students in Year 3 to Year 6.

Families are invited to purchase a Chromebook fitting the specifications outlined below. This device can be purchased through our preferred supplier, Learning With Technologies (LWT).

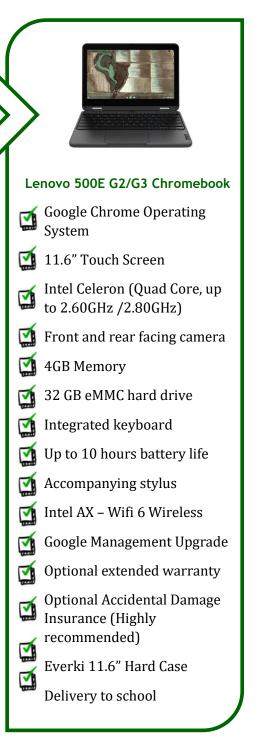
To purchase your device through LWT visit:

<u>mitchamps.orderportal.com.au</u>

In purchasing your device through Learning With Technologies, you:

- Ensure your child is equipped with the exact device specifications as desired by Mitcham Primary School.
- Will receive your device fully updated, licensed and preconnected to the Mitcham Primary School network.
- Can be assured that safety and security controls are configured and managed by Mitcham Primary School to reduce the risk of inappropriate content being accessed via the device.
- Are provided with the option to purchase additional warranty for your device.
- Are provided with the option to purchase Accidental Damage Insurance
- Have finance options available (subject to Terms and Conditions as outlined on the LWT Ordering Portal)
- Are able to track the status of your order
- Receive direct delivery to Mitcham Primary School
- Can log requests for warranty repairs, accidental damage insurance repairs, and out of warranty repairs at your own convenience.

Purchases made using this system are private financial transactions between you and the Learning With Technologies (LWT) supplier. There are two models to choose from both are suitable for year's 3-6. Mitcham Primary School does not receive any commission or other benefit as a result of your purchases on this system. There are finance options available, and this option may include additional fees. If you choose this option, please make sure you clearly understand its terms and conditions as outlined



All items purchased on this portal will be shipped to the School for pickup.

All warranty claims and repairs, accidental damage insurance repairs, and out of warranty repairs do not fall under the responsibility of Mitcham Primary School. Families make their claims, or seek contact through the Learning With Technologies Order Portal.

Alternatively, families may wish to contact LWT by:

Phone: 1300 839 605 | Email: service@lwt.com.au | Web: www.lwt.com.au