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Dear Parents of students in BYODD program,

As advised, we are now at the point where we are moving to our next phase for the BYODD program. Below are details of both application downloads, dates as well as other reminders.

1. **Collecting iPads**
   We have a mixture of families who have ordered iPads through the school and Catholic Schools Office and those who have purchased iPads from retailers. If you have ordered yours through the school, we are expecting delivery tomorrow. We will contact parents directly when they have arrived to personally pick up the iPad and cover, and we will hand over personally with parents by arrangement.

2. *Application Download.* We ask that between _now and Easter_, applications are downloaded onto the iPads at home. Below is a list of starting applications that we expect to use over the next term. Each term holidays, we will ask students to download a small number of applications in preparation for the term ahead. As mentioned previously, most applications will be free; some will have a small purchase price. We have deliberately limited the apps we require so we can go deeper, rather than provide too many options to begin with. *Applications that need to be purchased will require that you have or will set up an Apple iTunes ID and that this Apple ID has credit applied to it. iTunes Cards to obtain that credit can be purchased at major retail and grocery stores (e.g. Big W, Woolworths, Coles, JB Hi-Fi, etc).*

Cost Applications	_Free Applications to be Downloaded (Some maybe pre-installed)_
1. Book Creator ($7.99) 2. Explain Everything ($5.99) 3. Green Screen by Do Ink ($4.49)	1. Flick 2. Google Docs 3. Google Earth 4. iMotion 5. Simple Mind 6. Tellagami 7. Voice Recorder 8. Instagrok 9. PenUltimate 10. Seesaw: The Learning Journal 11. GarageBand 12. iMovie 13. Keynote 14. Numbers 15. Pages

3. **Bringing the iPads to School.** Children may begin bringing their iPad daily from next **Tuesday 15th March**. The first week will be spent establishing and reinforcing protocols and rules, and we ask parents to refer to the User Agreements sent home recently. Of particular significance are expectations around transition between school & home and the "no touch" policy of others' iPads. It's also important iPads are charged fully each day.

4. **Configuring Settings and Wi-Fi Access.** The Catholic Schools Office team will be in the school from **Monday 21st March.** During the two weeks following, each child will have his/her device configured for school access when he/she is at school, and home access when at home. This will involve certain filter and access settings the device defaults to when on site here. As part of this process, each child will undergo some individual training from a member of the CSO team so your child is made aware of the considerations and process when the device switches from school mode to home mode and back. During this training your child will be made aware of key settings that are required to ensure that the device switches between these modes correctly.

As we move into the implementation phase of the program, we remain open to discuss issues and support parents in this time of change. As outlined previously, we intend to provide opportunities for formal feedback and support for parents during Term 2 in this regard. Stay tuned for details of these opportunities. In the meantime, as always, I am more than happy to meet with parents as needed.

Kind Regards

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