

Frequently Asked Questions

- Do we have to buy through the school package?

Yes. The laptops are loaded with a version of Windows 10 that helps with consistency across the school. If a laptop has issues, we will have loan laptops that can be used with their documents being stored in the cloud. We have found that this has been highly successful in the 5 years we have been running the Laptop Programme.

- What software will be used?
Office 365, N4L filtering.

- How are the students expected to charge their laptop?

Students will be expected to bring their laptops to school, fully charged. There will be opportunities to recharge during breaks and physical education sessions.

- Is there a typing expectation?

All staff will be running a touch typing programme to upskill students and improve their ability in this area.

- What does the warranty cover?

The warranty covers manufacture hardware faults.

- What if the computer starts having problems in class?

Depending on the issue, we will have 'loan' laptops that can be used. Our technical company will be contacted directly to resolve issues. Alongside this we have a weekly clinic for issues that arise.

- What can parent do to help their children look after their laptop?

Talk with your child about how important it is to keep the laptop safe and to treat it as a working tool. While the laptop purchase includes insurance against accident damage, laptops run better and live longer when they are handled with care. Regular checks of your child's laptop can help prevent misuse. Lack of care can also void any insurance claim.

- What can parents do if students access a site that is inappropriate?

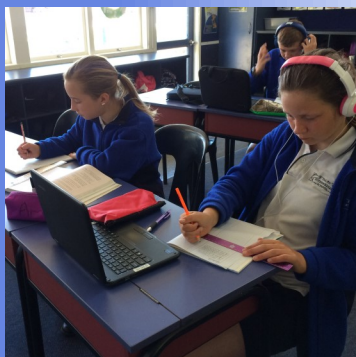
Please tell us immediately so we can protect any potential virus issues before the student reconnects to our school server. There is a code of conduct, as part of our Digital Citizenship Unit that will be required to be followed if this situation arises.

- How much time will my child spend on the laptop each day?

This varies between classes. The teachers at Taupo Intermediate have worked hard to create meaningful programmes across all curriculum areas that integrate the use of the students laptops. You can expect a balanced programme and if you have concerns about this issue, please contact our Principal with your concerns.

- What happens when my child leaves Taupo Intermediate?

The laptop will be restored to factory settings, to the operating system used when you joined the scheme. The Ministry funded programmes will be removed from the laptop. Your child will be able to take their laptop to either of the local colleges as they are accommodating these devices in their programmes.



Taupo Intermediate School



Making a Positive Difference

1:1 Laptop Programme 2020

Why did we implement a 1:1 Laptop Programme?

Our students exist in a largely digital world outside of school, but school is often a non-digital place.

This programme increases engagement in learning as the students use the tools they are most familiar with to facilitate their learning.

It is clear that a key skill in this new world will be their ability to participate as effective digital citizens.

An important part of learning these skills is being given the chance to experience the opportunities, and the challenges presented by technology in a safe, secure and nurturing environment, where clear, effective guidance can be sought as students and teachers learn.

If we teach today as we taught yesterday, we rob our children of tomorrow.
(John Dewey, 1915)

What are the benefits for students?



- Students actively engaged in their learning.
- Students take more ownership for their learning; when given more responsibility they tend to perform better.
- It supports and allows for different learners and different needs.
- It encourages development of skills creating life-long-learners, creative and collaborative thinkers and learners.
- Better communication between home and school.
- Teachers will be delivering specialized programmes.
- Aligns with today's mobile society where 'anything, anywhere Learning' is a reality.
- Students with advanced skills are able to expand their skills and knowledge.
- Students with learning differences are better able to keep pace with classmates because they can utilize the technology to meet their individual learning needs.
- A strong sense of the importance of Digital Citizenship and Cyber Safety.

Package Details

- Lenovo 300e (2nd Gen) Flip Education Laptop 11.6"
- Anti-Glare Touchscreen Intel Celeron 4GB
- PB Tech Care Plan to 3 Years
- Protect IT Insurance for Laptop
- 2 year accidental damage to the value of the laptop and theft cover
- Windows 10 Pro
- Laptop Protective case – clamshell type
- Onsite technical support



At the end of your time at Taupo Intermediate School, if all lease payments have been made, the laptop will be formatted to Factory Default settings and the school will relinquish ownership to the lease payer. Your college of choice will be able to install their programmes onto the laptop.

Payment Details

2020 YEAR 7 STUDENTS

22 month lease / 96 week lease
Minimum payment of \$40.00 per month
Total paid over 2 years \$880
* Option to pay in one payment of \$800

2020 YEAR 8 STUDENTS

11 month lease / 48 week lease
Minimum payment of \$80 per month
Total paid over 1 years \$880
* Option to pay in one payment of \$800

The first payment	*	\$80 for Year 7 students,
	*	\$160 for Year 8 students,
	*	due before 14th February 2020
	*	The laptop will be issued to your child once the first payment is made, and after the Digital Citizenship and Cyber Safety unit has been taught within the first few weeks of school.



PAYMENTS TO BE MADE TO THE FOLLOWING BANK ACCOUNT

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AUTOMATIC PAYMENTS TO BE SET UP WITH YOUR BANK