

## THE BUCKINGHAM SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer

## **Chromebook Update**

I'm writing to update you about our Chromebook rollout for your child. We had anticipated delays prior to the summer holidays from our provider due to world events and the current shortage of computer chips. However, we've not yet been able to get a firm delivery date on the devices purchased through the scheme. We can only ask for your patience and understanding as we coordinate and work with Academia so they can fulfil the orders we placed with them.

In the meantime, there have been several requests for the portal to reopen to purchase a Chromebook/license since the start of the term. To help manage this, if you require a Chromebook or Chromebook license can you please complete the following form: <u>https://forms.gle/PMmntgX1hGiUsXgC8</u>

There have also been requests for non-educational models for Chromebooks so you can support your child and purchase a more affordable model. To facilitate this, I have included a link to a number of providers below, but any Chromebook that has a screen length of 11.6 Inches or smaller is appropriate for use in the classroom.

I would highly recommend using a sturdy case for non-educational models, as well as insurance, as the main difference is the durability of devices on offer.

- PC Curry
- <u>Argos</u>
- <u>AO</u>
- <u>Very</u>
- John Lewis

If buying from Amazon, please do your due diligence and read reviews on other sites, as there is the potential for scams (bait and switch) as well as misleading/bought reviews.

Lastly, we very much appreciate the frustration that this delay is causing, please bear with us as we work diligently to sort out any issues. We thank you for your ongoing support.

As soon as we have further information, we will communicate it to you via ParentMail.

Yours faithfully,

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The Buckingham School is concerned that every student should have the opportunity to attend school activities/obtain equipment, regardless of their financial circumstances. As such, it may be possible to subsidise those students who would otherwise be unable to attend trips/purchase items. Please feel free to write in confidence to <u>finance@buckinghamschool.org</u>, if you wish to seek assistance, or obtain more information about Pupil Premium funding.