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Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Chromebook Scheme - Year 9 students in September 2025

As you may be aware Wildern has been implementing a Chromebook scheme for our GCSE students since 2017. It was lovely to be able to invite you into school to attend the parental information evening on the 8th May the slides from the evening can be seen by <u>clicking here</u>.

We have been running this non-profit making scheme enabling families to lease a Chromebook over the course of your child's GCSE studies, having full ownership of the device at the end of the scheme.

Benefits for the student:

- 8 second boot-up, no waiting for the device to start-up
- All work will be in one place and accessed their via school Google account
- It's 'their' device so used for learning at school and their/your own personal use at home
- Automatic updates, no need to buy and purchase new software and install on device
- Can be used for selfstudy(homework)
- · Technical support at school through the Genius Bar

Benefits for parents:

- No upfront cost
- Full warranty
- Full insurance
- Technical support
- It will be used as a professional tool at school and for selfstudy, but students and you can use for your personal use at home
- Supporting students in developing technological skills for the world of work
- Choice of outputs meaning that students will still use pen and paper as the Chromebook is not a substitution for writing by hand
- Full ownership of device at end of the scheme of monthly payments
- Support for all parents how the device can be used for learning through Parent Information Evening's in Autumn 2025. This will include advice on keeping the device safe and e-safety tips.

Above is a very brief summary. Please do read the <u>information booklet</u> and look at our website for more infromation to learn the full details of the device and scheme. There is a large FAQ section which covers all the questions raised in the past. We have endeavoured through much negotiation to get the most competitive prices on Chromebooks that can be delivered to your door.

The portal website to lease a Chromebook can be found at: https://edutech.click/WS-chromebook-scheme

However this scheme as in the past relies on achieving a threshold of over 70% of the year group. Therefore I would like to ask if you are considering purchasing a Chromebook independently let us know as this will be counted towards the 70% please_click here















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10pm on 2 June 2025 is the deadline for both options and on this date we will know if we have reached the 70% threshold for take-up and can proceed with this scheme. Failure to reach 70% will mean this scheme may not run which is why we need to know if you have chosen to purchase a Chromebook outside the leasing scheme.

If you have any questions, in the first instance I direct you to: https://edutech.zone/parent_enquiries/ or to the Wildern website click here where there is lots of information regarding devices and frequently asked questions. I do stress that Chromebooks are the only devices we accept in this scheme.

Any further questions please email: chromebooks@wildern.org

Yours Sincerely,

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