



RINGWOOD

SECONDARY COLLEGE

September 2023

Year 7 Transition 2024 - Change over from iPads to laptops.

Dear families

College Council has responsibility for reviewing College programs and priorities. Recently College council has confirmed that the College will cease the iPad program from Years 7 to 9 in favor of a 6 Year MacBook program.

Factors influencing this decision included:

- Costing (a 6-year program represents a long term saving for families).
- Ease of access for students to Compass Portal and resources.
- Changes in employer and industry skill sets.
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The decision to change the device profile was not taken lightly or in haste. School Council surveyed over 160 parents and over 80 students and the preference for laptops over iPads for the entire six years was overwhelming.

To support families we will again be partnering with JB HiFi to provide these devices. They will provide a one stop portal for parents to purchase the device, AppleCare and accessories. They also have finance options for families that wish to spread the payments. Please note there is no financial arrangement between the College and JB HiFi.

Further details will be provided in Term 4 of costings.

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