

Dear Parent/Guardian

Re: 2025 Student Laptop Program

Student computers typically have an operational life of three to four years. By Year 10 many students are due for an upgrade to their Laptop Computer. This year the School has again partnered with Atturra, a tier one Hewlett Packard vendor. Atturra have obtained guaranteed delivery of the windows model as outlined below. We will also offer an Apple option which can be ordered through our Apple provider Education Advantage (details below). Both laptop options will come with all the software necessary for the students' educational program. The laptops also come with onsite (school campus) support for both hardware and software, including a loan laptop if required. As part of our continuing investigations into the Student Laptop Program, we researched several other schools' programs and best practices. We found that while Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) does not meet the desired learning outcomes for most students and lacks onsite support, we will accommodate those students who wish to differentiate their choice of device. Further information regarding BYOD can be found on the school website <https://www.stpaulsags.vic.edu.au/enrolment/for-our-families/>

The benefits of the Student Laptop program include:

- Access to software with a value of over \$2,000 (Microsoft Windows, Microsoft Office 365, Sophos Antivirus Software, Adobe Creative Cloud, Inspiration and other class required software); and
- Reliable and unimpeded access to the ICT resources needed to participate in the learning program of the school.

Specifications of laptop computer options:

HP ProBook x360 435 G10 2-in-1 Laptop (Touchscreen/Pen)	Apple MacBook Air 13" M3
AMD Ryzen 5 – 7530U™ CPU	Apple M3 8-Core CPU, 8-Core GPU, and 16-Core Neural Engine
13.3 inch FHD BrightView LED UWVA 250 for HD Webcam + IR slim Touchscreen	13.6" diagonal Liquid Retina screen/ 1080p FaceTime HD camera
Backlit keyboard/Clickpad with multi-touch gesture support	Backlit Magic keyboard/ Force Touch trackpad
8 GB DDR4-3200MHz RAM /256 GB SSD Hard Drive	8 GB RAM /256 GB SSD Hard Drive
HDMI/USB-3.1(x2) & USB-C/multi SD reader/headphone/microphone combo	2x Thunderbolt/USB 4
Qualcomm Fast Connect 6900 Wi-Fi 6E AIM-T 160 MHz +Bluetooth 5.3 WW WLAN	Wireless-802.11ax Wi-Fi 6E & Bluetooth® 5.3
Up to 12hr battery life Weight 1.38kg	Up to 15hr battery life
STM Ace Carry Bag & HP Active Pen	STM Ace Carry Bag
3 Years HP NBD Onsite Warranty	3 Years Warranty*
Cost per year - \$590	Cost – See below

The HP option includes:

- a three-year warranty and accidental damage cover for the life cycle of the laptop (compared to the current retail 12-month warranty);
- complete technical support to school families participating in the program, provided at no extra charge; and
- ownership of the laptop will be transferred to the student at the end of the 3-year agreement.

Please refer to the 2025 Laptop Program regarding device insurance, warranty and accidental damage cover and payable excesses. The costs listed above will be included on the School account as an ICT levy.

* Your MacBook Air is covered by Apple's 12-month standard warranty which is further extended by the Australian Consumer Law guarantee. You will be provided an opportunity from five days after your order to purchase additional Accidental Damage protection (AppleCare+) for three years if desired.

** If your preference is to purchase a HP laptop, please email itsupport@stpaulsags.vic.edu.au so that we can ensure sufficient stock.

*** Please note that if you choose to continue using your current laptop, a \$99 yearly fee will be charged to cover software licensing.

Students in Years 11 and 12 (2025) will also have the option of leasing the HP Laptop, at the fees listed in the following table. The device is then owned by them when they complete Year 12.

	HP ProBook x360 435 G10 2-in-1 (Touchscreen/Pen)
Year 11	\$ 880.00 per year
Year 12	\$ 1,750.00 per year

Apple Option

Owing to the cost of the Apple devices, we are unable to offer school-based leasing. These devices will be delivered to the school and configured ready for the start of the school year. IT Services will email students on their school email address to advise when they are ready to pick up. The cost below includes all the required software, which will be installed prior to pick up. AppleCare should be purchased separately (see below).

Please note that these devices are only available to Year 10, 11 & 12 students.

	Apple MacBook Air 13"M3 (MRXN3X/A)*
Year 10	\$ 2,225.00 once off (incl. 3 Yrs software)
Year 11	\$ 2,055.00 once off (incl. 2 Yrs software)
Year 12	\$ 1,955.00 once off (incl. 1 Yrs software)

*Apple M3 8-core CPU & 8-core GPU processor

AppleCare+ for MacBook Air (M3) [Product Code SLPJ2ZX/A] is highly recommended as MacBook repairs can be expensive. Due to ACCC 2021 ruling. AppleCare cannot be bundled with a device and must be purchased separately. See <https://www.apple.com/au/legal/statutory-warranty/au/> for further details.

A booklet containing detailed information about the program is available on the school website and by either contacting IT Services via phone (**03 5622 6148**) or email (itsupport@stpaulsags.vic.edu.au).

Ordering for the Apple option 2025 Student Laptop Program can be completed via our online ordering portal – <https://eduadv.com.au/stpaulsags>. Password is: **StPags25**

The store is open for MacBook orders now. Orders need to be placed by **Sunday 10th November, 2024**.

If have any enquiries about this program, please contact IT Services by emailing itsupport@stpaulsags.vic.edu.au or contact Joe Gyorfi, ICT Manager on **03 5622 6148**.

Yours sincerely



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