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Dear Parents/Carers;

2018 Year 2 Tablet Buy-Back Scheme: Kindle Fire 7" Kids Edition

Since 2009 we have run a voluntary scheme whereby parents of every pupil in Year 2 have been given the opportunity to purchase a device for home/school use. We buy this device at cost price which therefore helps subsidise the cost for you. In addition, we offer you the option of paying the cost back in three installments which can also make life that little bit easier. This year, we are fortunate enough to offer you a Kindle Fire 7" Kids Edition which will cost you £83 at the very most.



What do I get?

The Kindle Fire is a tablet device, which connects wirelessly to the internet. The Kids Edition Kindle Fire comes with one year's free access to Kids Unlimited which offers access to thousands of kid-friendly books, videos, educational apps and games. This offer also comes with a two years guarantee (they advertise a "if they break it, we'll replace it" service) and a kid-proof case.

Here's a write up of it from Amazon:

https://www.amazon.co.uk/dp/B01J90MTXW/ref=ods_cc_tabl_austKET

Why we offer this device?

- It's cheaper for you
- There's lots of free books which our children will love
- Their insurance 2-year worry-free guarantee is simple
- You get a black tablet with choice of Blue, Pink or Yellow Kid-Proof Case
- We like the 1 year of Fire for Kids Unlimited, which offers access to thousands of kid-friendly books, videos, educational apps, and games
- It has 2 cameras and wifi capability
- We think its more age-appropriate and less addictive than a standard ipad or android device and you can't use YouTube on it (which we think is a good thing).
- We believe that giving children with appropriate and supervised access to technology makes them achieve well.
- We will try our best to get this device to you before we break up for Christmas (however, we can't guarantee this).



We're a PAPERLESS School – so you must download & register your **ParentMail App** to receive e-newsletters, to book after-school clubs & Parents' meetings or to confirm consent for educational visits.

Are there any catches?

- There is no obligation to buy.
- The devices are brand new.
- If we can get them cheaper (by buying in bulk) we will.
- You must consent to adopting our "acceptable use policy" at home.
- You pay a £33 deposit by (Monday 3rd December) and then two further payments of £25 (£25 before 8th April and £25 before 5th June) via ParentMail.
- We will not be able to place an order for your kindle until you have paid the deposit. The deadline for this is Monday 3rd December.
- **Failure to complete the full payment by 5th June 2019 will result in recovery/debt action being taken against you by a 3rd party debt collecting agent.**
- **We will not be able to purchase a Kindle Fire if you still owe us money for something else.**
- After the first year, it will cost you £1.99 a month to continue using Kids Unlimited if you want to. Please note that Amazon will automatically bill you for this after the first year unless you opt out.

Please note that at the moment this price is only approximate. Because we are buying in bulk, the more people who decide to purchase a Kindle via this scheme, the cheaper the price we will be able to secure. We will be able to confirm the exact price by Monday 3rd December.

We will not be making a profit. In fact we will be making a small loss. I just believe it will benefit the children and I want to help your family with this.

To proceed, please by Monday 3rd December you must:

- Sign the purchase form (now available in ParentMail)
- Agree to adopt our (attached) "acceptable use policy" at home
- Select which colour cover you require
- Pay the £33 deposit by Monday 3rd December

Yours sincerely,



Paul Jordan
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