

## **Tamborine Mountain State High School**

## LAPTOP PROGRAM INFORMATION YEAR 8

## Dear Parents/Caregivers

Tamborine Mountain State High School will be operating a 1-1 Laptop program for Years 8.

Our 1-1 Laptop program for Years 8 operates from November to November each year, thus enabling students to have access to laptops over the Christmas holidays and ensures minimal delays to their learning on return to school for day 1.

We are offering the opportunity for your child to join this program. If you elect to join the program, please note:

- (1) The laptop will always remain the property of the Department of Education (DoE).
- (2) Accidental Damage Policy (ADP) covered by DoE/Acer and incurs an excess for each claim with a maximum of three ADP claims each year. Further information has been provided regarding Warranty/Insurance specifics. Excess All claims are currently \$50.00 (GST included)
- (3) Theft Policy cover with an excess of \$200.00 for first claim and the full cost of laptop on a subsequent claim.
- (4) Laptop model and warranty can vary, but typically the model is Acer Travelmate B311 with specifications Intel Pentium QC N 3540 @ 2.16GHz/4<sup>th</sup> Gen QL, 4GB RAM, 120GB SSD (117) Storage 250GB (118), Integrated Video, Network, Bluetooth, Camera, Speakers; Windows 10 Enterprise (Managed Operating Environment); Everki Hard Sided Carry Case and warranty + accidental damage protection. The laptop is costed at \$1005.00.

## Students who do not elect to participate in the Laptop 1 to 1 program will be able to generally:

- (1) Access laptop (no cost to parents/caregivers) loan machine at school during class "day use only", are generally five years old. Individual access to these laptops can not be guaranteed and would start from mid-Term 1, unless already assigned.
- (2) Parents/caregivers are reminded provision of software/laptop to support homework and assignments in the home setting is parent/caregiver responsibility when a non-participant to the laptop program.
- (3) These devices are not covered under warranty and/or accidental damage protection. Any damage to the device will result in associated repair costs being forwarded to parent/caregiver of student for payment.

The Laptop Charter is developed by the Queensland Government and outlines the terms/conditions of the agreement. It is a requirement that this document is read and signed before acceptance into the laptop program (attached). If paying on the internet please return signed forms to Mr Graeme Locastro (Deputy Principal). Each individual student must have their own Laptop Charter completed and signed.

The P&C Executive Committee has introduced a 'Volunteers Rewards Scheme' which is open to all school volunteers. By volunteering in the canteen or uniform shop you will be able to claim volunteer reward points against the cost of uniforms, student resource hire scheme or the laptop scheme. This scheme has proven to be very popular and some volunteers have been able to offset a substantial amount of school administrative costs through this scheme to the value of several hundred dollars each year. Please contact Imoor296@eq.edu.au if you are interested in participating in this scheme. Time still exists for parents/caregivers to undertake volunteer shifts towards the costs of the November to November laptop payment.

Please do not hesitate to contact Graeme Locastro gloca1@eq.edu.au if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely

Principal