



Citipointe Christian College
THE CHRISTIAN OUTREACH COLLEGE BRISBANE

A WORLD OF DIFFERENCE

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Dear Parents,

During Term 1 I wrote to you about our introduction of the Citipointe iPad Initiative beginning in 2015.

This letter provides further detail relating to the iPad Initiative, and directs you to an area of our College website, called Learn@Citipointe, which has been commissioned to provide information about technology teaching and learning initiatives at Citipointe.

To access the Learn@Citipointe information portal, select the "Learn@Citipointe" option under the My Citipointe menu on the main College website, or visit the following link: <http://learn.coc.edu.au> in your preferred web browser.

The table below highlights the year the students will need to bring their own iPad to class:

	2015	2016	2017
Primary	Year 4	Year 4 & 5	Year 4, 5 & 6
Middle	Year 7	Year 7 & 8	Year 7, 8 & 9
Senior	Year 10	Year 10 & 11	Year 10, 11 & 12

Note that Preparatory – Year 3 students will be utilising school-owned iPads in their classrooms, and will not be required to purchase an iPad.

- The minimum specification iPad recommended for College use in 2015 is the iPad 4.
- However, the College strongly recommends the iPad Air for parents purchasing a new iPad, as this will give the longest device lifespan (2-3 years) before next purchase.
- Note that whilst the College network will support the iPad 2 and 3 for 2015 (if students already own an iPad 2 or 3), it is likely these iPad versions will not be supported beyond 2015 due to performance and operating system limitations.
- The iPad Mini will be supported on the College iPad Initiative.
- The iPad 1 will **not** be supported on the College iPad Initiative.
- The College also advises parents against the 3/4G cellular version of the iPad as this makes content filtering / safety monitoring of the device difficult.

Parent information evenings highlighting specific details for the year levels listed in the table above for 2015 will be scheduled during Term 3, 2014.

We are currently in negotiations with the Apple Store in Westfield Carindale over potential loyalty pricing and support benefits for parents of the College. We will be notifying parents of the outcome of these negotiations at the parent information evenings in Term 3. The College recommends parents wait until after these parent evenings to visit the Apple Store Carindale if planning to purchase a new iPad.

For more information on the philosophy behind the Citipointe iPad Initiative, its implementation, and answers to frequently asked questions, please visit the Learn@Citipointe website outlined above.

Yours sincerely,

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