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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to provide you with an update about Information and Communication Technology at Saints Peter and Paul school.

Two years ago, following consultation with the parent community, the decision was made to lease iPads for the one-to-one use of students in Years 3-6. In July 2014, the school entered into a two-year lease for iPads. The cost of this lease was funded by the school and subsidised by the ICT levy which parents pay as part of school fees. The current lease is due to expire at the end of June.

In 2014, several of our families opted to provide their own iPad instead of using a school-leased iPad. The parents of these students receive a discount on the ICT levy on their school fees.

With the support of the School Community Council, the decision was made in recent weeks, to make a one-off purchase of 210 iPads to replace the leased iPads. The school has taken a loan to fund the purchase of the new iPads.

The process of returning the leased iPads and replacing them with our new iPads will be a complex one. Please see the attached letter from Mr Jenkins which provides detailed instructions about what we require from parents and students to ensure that this process is as streamlined as possible.

Please note that the school will not meet any repair or replacement costs of school-owned iPads which are lost, damaged or broken. Parents are free to choose to provide their child with their own iPad if they would prefer this option.

Kind regards

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