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Dear Parents / Guardians,

National Digital Literacy Programme (NDLP)

At MOE's Committee of Supply Debate in March 2020, MOE launched the National Digital Literacy Programme ("NDLP") for our schools and Institutes of Higher Learning to help students strengthen their digital literacy. One of the components of the NDLP is the introduction of the Personalised Digital Learning Programme ("PDLP") for all secondary school students, whereby every secondary school student will own a school-prescribed Personal Learning Device ("PLD"). This letter provides important information about how you can purchase the PLD for your child/ward as well as about the accompanying applications that the school may be rolling out as part of the NDLP.

Purchase of Personal Learning Device

- 2. **Overview.** The PLD will be used in tandem with the national e-learning platform the Singapore Student Learning Space ("SLS") as well as other educational technology to personalise and enhance students' learning. This will also enable students to acquire digital skills and apply these skills as they navigate an increasingly digitalised world.
- 3. **Purchase of PLD bundle.** The school has made arrangements for you to purchase the PLD from Acer for your child's/ward's use in school. The Vendor has been identified based on the choice of device determined by the school from a panel of awarded suppliers established by MOE. The PLD bundle which includes warranty and insurance for purchase by your child/ward will be:



Acer TravelMate Spin B3 TMB311R (Enhanced) (1.47kg, 128 GB Storage, 11.6" screen)

Acer TravelMate Spin TMB311R (Enhanced) [\$382]

Acer TravelMate Spin B3 TMB311R | 11.6 Inches | Comes with 3 years Warranty & Insurance

- Upgrades: Processor upgrade to Pentium QuadCore N6000 [\$55.00]
- > Upgrades: Storage upgrade to 128GB eMMC [\$40.00]
- ➤ Upgrades: Upgrade to 8GB RAM [\$30.00]
- Add-ons: Active Stylus Pen [\$80.00]

Contractor: Acer

Unit Price w GST: \$633.90

The price of the device bundle (inclusive of GST) is: \$\$633.90

- 4. **Use of Edusave**. MOE has provided Edusave top-ups of \$200 in 2020, 2021 and 2022 to all eligible Singaporean students in primary and secondary schools. This is on top of the annual Edusave contribution of \$290 for secondary students and \$230 for primary students. Students who are Singapore citizens can use their Edusave to pay fully or partly for the PLD, after setting aside provision for payment of 2nd tier miscellaneous fees. Parents/Guardians can also choose to pay cash for the PLD.
- 5. **Financial Assistance**. Subsidies are available for students who require funding support to purchase a PLD. Please note that it is compulsory for all students on the MOE Financial Assistance Scheme (FAS) to use their Edusave to pay for the PLD, after subsidies have been granted. Please see the table below for information on the eligibility for the subsidy:

Students eligible for subsidy	Income criteria	How to Apply for Subsidy	
Students under MOE FAS	Gross Household Income (" GHI ") is \$3,000 or less, or Per Capita Income (" PCI ")* is \$750 or less	No action required. Automatically subsidised for the PLD.	
Students under School-based FAS	GHI is \$4,400 or less, or PCI is \$1,100 or less	Approach the school's General Office to apply for a subsidy.	
Students who are currently not under the MOE FAS or School-based FAS	GHI is \$4,400 or less, or PCI is \$1,100 or less	Approach the school's General Office to apply for a subsidy.	

^{*} PCI refers to the GHI divided by the total number of family members in the household.

Software Applications

- 6. **IT Applications**. Schools will progressively roll out IT applications that will be vital for students' teaching and learning. These include:
 - (a) **Student iCON**: Every secondary school student will be provided with access to the Google Suite set of tools, including email address.
 - (b) **Microsoft ProPlus**: Every secondary school student will be able to use Microsoft Office tools that include Word, PowerPoint and Excel.
 - (c) **Zoom**: Every secondary school student will be given a Zoom free account with 40 min time limit for their video conferencing needs.

The school will need to use your child's/ward's full name, Student iCON ID and class to set up user accounts. Schools may also choose to roll out applications other than those listed above.

- 7. **Device Management Application.** A Device Management Application ("**DMA**") will come pre-installed on all PLDs purchased through the school, and will be installed on all student-owned devices subject to parental/guardian consent. The DMA has 3 main components which will support the use of the PLD in the classroom and safeguard students' cyber wellness:
 - (a) <u>Classroom Management Service</u>. This enables teachers to manage the students' use of the PLD during lesson time to improve classroom management and support effective teaching and learning.
 - (b) <u>Mobile Device Management Service</u>. This facilitates the updating and managing of the PLD, protects the PLD from malicious software, and protects students from objectionable internet content.
 - (c) <u>Usage Management Service</u>. This enables the school and/or parents/guardians to better supervise and set helpful limits for students' use of PLD after school.

- 8. **Cyber wellness**. In rolling out the PLD, MOE is aware of concerns regarding students' cyber wellness. The DMA allows the school to manage this by:
 - (a) collecting data on usage by the student, such as the websites accessed on the PLD,
 - (b) monitoring, filtering and limiting the type of websites accessible to the student, and
 - (c) placing restrictions on students' screen time in order to prevent cyber addiction.

Please refer to <u>Annexes A, B and C</u> for more details on the functions and features of the DMA, and on the collection and protection of personal data.

Next Step

- 9. To proceed with the purchase of the PLD, please fill in the online form at this link: https://go.gov.sg/pdlpadmin by 27 January 2023.
- 10. If you are unable to submit the form online, please access the school website at http://www.kranjisec.moe.edu.sg (under announcements) for a hardcopy version.

Further Queries

10. Should there be any further queries or clarification, please contact 67662464. Thank you.

Thank you.

Your Partner In Education

Mr Goh Soon Hoe Principal

Annex A: Functions of the DMA

Functions	Details
1. Mobile Device Management Service	 Facilitates automatic installation of apps required for teaching and learning
This facilitates the updating and management of the PLDs, protects PLDs from malicious software, and protects your child/ward from objectionable internet content, or content that may not be conducive to teaching and learning during school hours.	 Filters objectionable content or content that may not be conducive to teaching and learning (e.g. pornography, gambling, or websites containing extremist content) Protects your child's/ward's PLD from security vulnerabilities through the automatic updating and patching of apps and device Operating System (OS)
2. Classroom Management Service	During lessons, teachers will be able to:Manage and control devices (e.g. using the "Eyes
Enables teachers to manage the student's use of the PLD during lesson time to improve classroom management and support effective teaching and learning. Teachers will only monitor students' activities during lessons.	 Up" function) Launch specific applications and/or websites for teaching and learning on your child's/ward's device Facilitate the sharing of content Monitor your child's/ward's usage and activities during lessons (e.g. screen sharing, monitoring your
3. Usage Management Service	 child's/ward's browsing history) Screen time control ensures that your child/ward does not use the PLD excessively
Enables the school and/or parents/guardians to better supervise and set helpful limits for your child's/ward's use of PLD after school.	 School and/or parents/guardians can control installation of applications to ensure that the device is used optimally for teaching and learning Safe search and web content filtering protect your child/ward from harmful content Parents/Guardians can monitor usage and activities by child/ward

Annex B: DMA Settings After School Hours

1. During school hours, the Default Setting will apply. Parents/Guardians are given a choice to opt for an Alternative Setting, which will apply only to <u>after</u> school hours. The following table outlines the different levels of restrictions, controls and monitoring for the different DMA options after school hours.

	Default Setting	Alternative Setting:	Alternative Setting:
	(This will apply if no Alternative Setting is chosen)	Option A (Modify DMA settings)	Option B (Disable DMA)
	For parents/guardians who want their child's/ward's use of the device to be restricted only to teaching and learning, and who prefer to follow the Default Setting as set by the school during school hours.	For parents/guardians who want more leeway over their child's/ward's use of the device, and prefer to take charge of the level of restrictions for their child's/ward's use of the device after school hours.	For parents/guardians who do not want their child's/ward's use of the device after school hours to be regulated by the DMA at all.
Protects students from objectionable content	 Web content filtering: Violent/extremist content Sexual/pornographic content Gambling-related content 	Parents/Guardians can apply additional content filtering.	No content filtering at all.
Reduce distractions from learning through control of applications	Parents/Guardians and students will be <u>unable</u> to install additional applications.	 Parents/Guardians and/or students will be able to install additional applications after school hours. Applications installed by parents/guardians and/or students after school hours will be disabled during school hours. 	
Limit screen time	The school will set the hours during which the child/ward will be able to use the device online in a day.	Parents/Guardians can modify the amount of screen time for their child/ward.	No control over screen time.
Monitor students' cyber activities	 A parent/guardian account will be provided to allow parents/guardians to monitor their child's/ward's PLD activities after school hours. Parents/Guardians will only be able to track their child's/ward's browser history after school hours. School DMA Admin will have access to the child's/ward's browser history logs. Teachers will only have access to the child's/ward's browser history logs for the class that they teach. Teachers will not have access to the child's/ward's browser history logs outside of that specific class. 		 Parents/Guardians will not be provided a parent/guardian account. Parents/Guardians will not be able to monitor or control their child's/ward's use of the device through the DMA. No data will be collected during the use of the PLD after school hours.

2. Parents/Guardians may wish to consider the following questions before deciding on which Alternative Setting option is best for their child/ward.

a. Child's/Ward's current device usage habits

- o How much time does my child/ward spend on his/her device?
- o How well is my child/ward able to regulate his/her device usage on his/her own?
- o Does my child/ward get easily distracted while doing online learning?

b. Parental/Guardian involvement

- o How confident and familiar am I with managing my child's/ward's cyber wellness?
- o Are there existing routines and open conversations on the use of the internet at home?
- o Am I aware of how to prevent different types of cyber threats that my child/ward might face?

Annex C: Privacy and Data Security

Part 1: Data Collected and Managed by the DMA

- 1. The DMA does **NOT** collect any of the following data:
 - Login IDs and passwords entered into websites or into any applications
 - Actions performed (e.g. posts, online comments, items added to a shopping cart, etc.) when visiting websites and using apps
 - Documents and photos stored in the PLD
 - PLD location
 - Webcam videos and microphone recordings
- 2. The information collected by DMA will be accessible by the following personnel:

	Appointed Admin from MOE HQ and school	DMA Vendors	Teacher	Parent/ Guardian
 Data for DMA Administrative Purposes such as: Students' and parents'/guardians' information (Name, school name, email addresses, and class) Apps installed in your child's/ward's PLD Device and hardware information (e.g. device model, storage space) 	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
 Data for web content filtering such as: URLs accessed on the PLDs (Actions performed on websites are NOT captured) Date and time that a website is accessed Student profile (Name, School name) 	Y	Υ	Υ1	Υ
Data for ensuring that installed apps are updated and functioning properly such as: Installed apps and programs Date and time that the apps and programs were last updated Application error data	Υ	Υ	Υ ²	Υ
 Data for Sharing Students' Screen: Only the streaming of 'live' screen view, which will be accessible only during class. (The screen view will NOT be stored) 	N	N	γ³	N

Note: No data is collected after school hours for Alternative Setting: Option B.

¹ The teacher will only be able to access the logs pertaining to the student's browser history for the class that the teacher teaches, and will be able to access the logs outside of lessons. The teacher will not have access to the student's browser history outside of those specific lessons.

² Teachers will not have access to the application error data.

³ This function is not available on the iPad unless the teacher uses Apple Classroom.

- 3. To prevent unauthorised access, DMA Administrators and DMA Vendors will be required to access their accounts using 2-factor authentication or the equivalent to ensure proper accountability for information access and other activities performed. There will be regular account reviews and audits for DMA Administrators' and DMA Vendors' accounts.
- 4. All user data collected through the DMA will be stored in secure servers managed by appointed DMA Vendors with stringent access controls and audit trials implemented. The DMA solutions used are cloud-based Software-as-a-Service (SaaS) solutions and are trusted solutions that have been operating for many years. They have also been subjected to regular security review and assessment by independent reviewers.
- 5. MOE has assessed and concluded that the DMA solutions have sufficient security robustness to ensure data collected are properly stored and protected. MOE will also subject the DMA Vendors to regular audit on the security of the system based on tender requirements.

Part 2: Data collected and managed by the IT Applications

- 6. **IT Applications.** For the IT Applications (Student iCON, Microsoft ProPlus and Zoom), the school will use your child's/ward's personal data such as his/her full name, birth certificate number and class to set up user accounts. This data will also be used for the purposes of authenticating and verifying user identity, troubleshooting and facilitating system improvements. In addition, the commercial providers of these platforms (e.g. Google, Microsoft) will collect and deal with user data generated by your child's/ward's use of these applications. The collection, use and disclosure of such data are governed by the commercial provider's terms of use, which can be found here:
 - Student iCON: https://workspace.google.com/terms/education-terms.html
 - Microsoft ProPlus: https://portal.office.com/commerce/mosa.aspx
 - Zoom: https://zoom.us/docs/en-us/schools-privacy-statement.html
- 7. All user data which is collected by MOE will be stored in secure servers managed by the respective vendors of our systems. The Government has put in place strong personal data protection laws and policies to safeguard sensitive data collected by public agencies such as MOE. Please refer to this website for more information on these laws and policies: https://www.smartnation.gov.sg/about-smart-nation/secure-smart-nation/personal-data-protection-initiatives

Annex D: Intent to Purchase Personal Learning Device (PLD)

Kranji Secondary School

1.	Please tick the following an	d submit the form to the Class Mentor no later than 27 January 2023 :	
	child's/ward's Edusave (to t	se the PLD bundle described in paragraph 3 of this letter and would like to he applicable limit) to pay for the PLD bundle. I understand that where there by for the PLD bundle, I will pay for the remainder in cash.	
□ fully pa	Yes , I would like to purchasy for the PLD bundle in cash	se the PLD bundle described in paragraph 3 of this letter and would like to .	
	•	ing the PLD bundle described in paragraph 3 of this letter and would like my ersonal computing device in school. I am aware that this is subject to the ompatible with the DMA.	
person	al computing device in school ter, the DMA is crucial as it	e not to purchase the PLD, your child/ward will not be able to use his/her of unless the DMA is installed on such device. As explained in paragraph 7 of allows the teacher to control the student's use of computing device during	
2.	The default mode of collection is for your child/ward to collect his/her PLD in school and verify the condition of the computing device. The Vendor will run through a device checklist with your child/ward at the point of collection to ensure that the device is in good working condition, and for your child/ward to verify the condition of the device.		
3.	If you are concerned that your child/ward will not be able to properly verify the condition of the computing device, please notify the school and arrange to either collect the computing device personally at the Vendor's service/collection centre or appoint an adult proxy to do so.		
4.	Please indicate one parent's/guardian's personal email address to be provisioned with the DMA Parent's Account for viewing of your child's/ward's PLD information. This personal email account should only be accessible by the parent/guardian.		
Parent'	s/Guardian's Personal Email	Address:	
Name NRIC/	of Student (as in BC):		
Class:			
Name in NRI	of Parent/Guardian* (as C):		
Signat	ure of Parent/Guardian*:		
Date:			

^{*} Please delete as appropriate.

Annex E: Standing Order for Use of Edusave Account



MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

STANDING ORDER FOR USE OF EDUSAVE ACCOUNT AT GOVT / GOVT-AIDED SCHOOL

FOR PERSONALISED DIGITAL LEARNING PROGRAMME

Please note: This form is to be used by parent / guardian of a <u>Singaporean student</u> who wishes to use the Edusave account of his / her child / ward to pay for a personal learning device incurred by the child / ward in a Government or Government-aided School and billed by the school. Please submit the completed form to your child's / ward's school.

Studer	nt NRIC / BC No:			
Studer	nt Name:			
School: Student Level / Class:				
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USE O	F EDUSAVE ACCOUNT	FOR PERSONALISE	ED DIGITAL LEARNING PROGRAMME	
STAND	OING ORDER ¹ INSTRU	CTION FROM PARE	NT / GUARDIAN	
(Please	e tick as appropriate.)		
1	I wish to use my chil	d's/ward's* Edusav	ve account for payment:	
	Personal L	earning Device (und	der the Personalised Digital Learning Programı	ne)²
2	I hereby give a stand account to pay for the	•	uthorise the school to withdraw from my child' licated above.	s/ward's* Edusave
3	If the balance in my shortfall in cash or f		usave account is insufficient for the deduction unt.	, I agree to pay the
-	Name of Parent/0	 Guardian*	Signature of Parent/Guardian*	 Date

^{*} Delete whichever is not applicable.

¹ This standing order will remain in force until terminated by your written notice sent to the school.

² Includes accessories, software/applications, warranty and insurance cost at the point of initial purchase.

Annex F: Authorisation Form Kranji Secondary School

Authorisation Form

Important Note: The computing device i	must be checked at the pc	pint of collection to verify that it is in good
working condition. Accordingly, parents/g properly verify the condition of the com personally at the Vendor's service/collect	guardians who are concern puting device should arrar tion centre or appoint an a	ned that their child/ward will not be able to nge to either collect the computing device adult proxy to do so. Please note that once mputing device, and title to the computing
I, Parent/Guardian* of		(name of child/ward*) of class
, authorise		("Proxy") to collect the Personal Learning
Device (PLD) issued under the Personalise	ed Digital Learning Program	nme (PDLP) on my behalf / will be collecting
the PLD personally*.		
_		ough a device check list with me/my Proxy*
	[*] should look out for whe	n collecting the computing device to verify
that it is in good working condition.		
I authorise my Proxy to check the compu	ating device on my behalf a	and thereafter sign the proof of receipt or
my behalf to confirm that the computing	device is in good working o	condition*.
Name of Parent/Guardian*	 Date	Signature

^{*} Please delete as appropriate.