



ST THOMAS' PRIMARY SCHOOL
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2024 iPad REQUIREMENTS

This document outlines information regarding the use of iPads at St Thomas' Primary School, Claremont. For more information, please contact school administration for assistance and advice.

PURPOSE

Use of technology can enhance the teaching and learning program. Australian schools are required to equip students with the skills needed for appropriate participation in the society they live in, as well as the world they may enter as adults. The Australian Curriculum outlines 'ICT Capability' as one of seven capabilities all Australian children are to develop knowledge, skills, behaviours and dispositions in, to apply across the many changing and complex circumstances they will find themselves in, as they contribute to society. St Thomas' Primary School teaches students use of ICT as a learning tool, addressing ICT capability in students.

RECOMMENDED DEVICE & ACCESSORIES

iPad	Required - 256GB 10.2inch Generation 9 Apple iPad (Gen. 10 iPad is not required.) We do not recommend iPad Pro or iPad Mini. <i>Any other iPad must be approved by the school – no Android/Google/Microsoft devices permitted</i>
Cover/case	Required - Logitech Rugged Combo is recommended, with a built-in, not detachable, keyboard.
Screen protector	Required – specifically, the ' Panzer ' or ' STM ' protector.
Headphones	Required - with in-built microphone. Wireless headphones (e.g. AirPods) can be problematic. A bag is also recommended.
Stylus	Optional - but not recommended for Year Three.

PURCHASING / REPAIRS

Winthrop is our preferred supplier and repairer. We have a long standing relationship with Winthrop Australia. This partnership has resulted in this company knowing the St Thomas' context and having an appreciation of our goals and purpose for the 1:1 program. We encourage orders to be delivered to St Thomas' Primary School. The school will set up management software, internet access, printing, and distribution of educational apps. Please contact the school if you wish to use an existing iPad to discuss a reset of the device, which is required to install school management software.

Purchasing can be made through the Winthrop portal at: <https://sales.winaust.com.au/shop/stthomas>

PARENTS CAN...

- Add a home Apple account and access home WiFi;
- Load apps – user installed apps are permitted, but we encourage these for educational purposes only;
- Manage 'screen time' and 'restrictions' settings for home use. Parents should be aware restrictions should not hinder classroom management purposes;
- Purchase 'Apple Care' or other insurance (possibly include the iPad on Home and Contents insurance);
- Book repairs through Winthrop (the device can be picked up from school, repairs carried out at Winthrop, and the device returned to the school).

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