

# Information meeting on Digital Learning using Ipads.

10th February 2020.

# Programme

- Schools experience to date and proposal for this year
- Presentation by teacher: Mr. McGinn.
- Student Views.
- Details of a loan scheme from Borrisokane Credit Union
- Permission for taking and using photos



# Story so far

- Introduced Ipads in Borrisokane Community College September 2013.
- All Staff received training on using Ipads
- iPads were optional – 70% – 80% of students used iPads.
- Last two years we made iPads compulsory for students in First year.

# Why promote Digital Learning

- Use of internet for research.
- All students have school email accounts.
- Teachers Email notes to students.
- Students can email each other.
- Teachers can share resources on school online systems – Sharepoint and Teams.
- Getting familiar with modern technology.
- More apps are becoming available all the time – Microsoft can now be used on Ipads: Word, PowerPoint, Excel, OneNote, Teams.
- Can save files for use on Ipads or any other computer with Internet Access – OneDrive.
- Many apps can be used in class and for homework.
- Students have text books in paper format and Ebook
- New Junior Cycle – Promotes use of Technology in all subjects.
- Lighter School Bags.

# Department of Education & Skills Policy

- New Junior Cycle
  - Key Skills.
- DES Strategy to integrate Digital Technology in Teaching and Learning

**KEY  
SKILLS**

**BEING  
LITERATE**

**COMMUNICATING**

**MANAGING  
MYSELF**

**WORKING  
WITH  
OTHERS**

**STAYING  
WELL**

**BEING  
CREATIVE**

**MANAGING  
INFORMATION  
& THINKING**

**BEING  
NUMERATE**

# KEY SKILLS

- Using language
- Using number
- Listening and expressing myself
- Performing and presenting
- Discussing and debating
- Using digital technology to communicate

## COMMUNICATING

- Developing my understanding and enjoyment of words and language
- Reading for enjoyment and with critical understanding
- Writing for different purposes
- Expressing ideas clearly and accurately
- Developing my spoken language
- Exploring and creating a variety of texts, including multi-modal texts.

## BEING LITERATE

- Knowing myself
- Making considered decisions
- Setting and achieving personal goals
- Being able to reflect on my own learning
- Using digital technology to manage myself and my learning

## MANAGING MYSELF

- Being healthy and physically active
- Being social
- Being safe
- Being spiritual
- Being confident
- Being positive about learning
- Being responsible, safe and ethical in using digital technology

## STAYING WELL

- Being curious
- Gathering, recording, organising and evaluating information and data
- Thinking creatively and critically
- Reflecting on and evaluating my learning
- Using digital technology to access, manage and share content

## MANAGING INFORMATION & THINKING

## BEING NUMERATE

- Expressing ideas mathematically
- Estimating, predicting and calculating
- Developing a positive disposition towards investigating, reasoning and problem-solving
- Seeing patterns, trends and relationships
- Gathering, interpreting and representing data
- Using digital technology to develop numeracy skills and understanding

## BEING CREATIVE

- Imagining
- Exploring options and alternatives
- Implementing ideas and taking action
- Learning creatively
- Stimulating creativity using digital technology

## WORKING WITH OTHERS

- Developing good relationships and dealing with conflict
- Co-operating
- Respecting difference
- Contributing to making the world a better place
- Learning with others
- Working with others through digital technology

# Advantages of ELearning.

- Preparation for Digital World.
- Internet is a huge resource for project work.
- Students learn skills of Research
- Bring real live experiences into learning.
- More collaboration between students.
- Reduction in photocopying and students can manage handouts easier.
- Huge reduction in weight of school bags.
- Students embrace technology.





# Presentations

- Teachers
  - Mr. McGinn – Materials Technology Wood/Construction Studies and Technical Graphics teacher & Co-Ordinator of Digital Technology
  - Student Presentation.

# Costs

| <b>Payable to Ipad Company</b>                               |          |
|--|----------|
| Ipad 32GB including setup approx.                            | € 400.00 |
| Total approx.  | € 400.00 |
| Details of webstore for ordering will be provided next Month |          |
| <b>Payable to Borrisokane Community College</b>              |          |
| Books/Ebooks for Junior Cycle                                | € 250.00 |
| Ipad Insurance Year 1  | € 25.00  |
| School Journal Year 1  | €10.00   |
| Brennan Personal Accident Insurance Year 1                   | € 10.00  |
| Locker for First Year  | € 20.00  |
| CAT - Ability Test for Target Setting                        | € 25.00  |
| Photocopying   | € 10.00  |
| Total  | € 350.00 |

# Year 2 & Year 3 Payments

Payment in Year 2 and 3 for Ipad Insurance, Brennan Insurance, Journal and Photocopying: €50/yr

# Tablet Insurance

- €25 per year – no cover if not paid.
- School Insurance Policy
- Covers accidental Breakage, Malicious Damage,
- Covers theft following a break in to premises or from boot of car.
- Ipad should be stored in locker in school
- Any claims are subject to an excess of €50 which must be paid before the Ipad is sent for repair.



# Loan Scheme Borrisokane Credit Union

| Amount of Loan € | No. of years | Payment per week € | Interest over term € |
|------------------|--------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| 900              | 3            | 7                  | 170                  |
| 900              | 2            | 10                 | 112                  |
| 900              | 1            | 19                 | 55                   |
| 750              | 3            | 6                  |                      |
| 750              | 2            | 9                  |                      |
| 750              | 1            | 16                 |                      |
| 600              | 3            | 5                  |                      |
| 600              | 2            | 7                  |                      |
| 600              | 1            | 13                 |                      |

# Loan Scheme Borrisokane Credit Union

- APR for Credit Union Loans – 12%
- Interest on a reducing balance.

# Loan Scheme Borrisokane Credit Union

- To Open an Account
- PPS No.
- Photo ID – Passport or Driving Licence
- Proof of Address – Utility bill from last 6 months.  
Child's Account Parents Utility bill.
- Over 16's to join is 40 cent. U16's - free.
- Member for 12 weeks before you can take out a loan.
- Must have savings – approx. €100.
- If child is taking out loan then parent must be Guarantor



# Relevant School Policies

- Social Media Policy.
- iPad Acceptable Usage Policy
- ICT Acceptable Use Policy
- All available on school website:  
[www.borrisokanecce.ie](http://www.borrisokanecce.ie)



# IPad Setup

- Link with iPad Supplier:
  - Wriggle
  - Compu B
- All new iPads are setup on a Managed System
  - Assist with Setup
  - Control Apps installed
  - Switch off apps e.g. Camera
  - Limit to Educational Use.

# Preused Ipad.

- Need to be relatively new for use of current apps and software.
- Storage needs to be considered.
  - New Ipad minimum 32GB
  - Old iPads may be 16GB

# Payment Schedule

- Purchase Ipad from online store - €400.00 approx
- Payment to school of €350.00
- €200 by June 30<sup>th</sup> 2020. Can be paid in instalments on electronic payment system
- €100 by August 15<sup>th</sup> 2020. Can be paid in instalments on electronic payment system
- €50 in December 2020.
- Payments for Year 2 and Year 3 by end of June 2021 and 2022.



# Electronic Payments

- [www.way2pay.org](http://www.way2pay.org)
- Texts will be sent requesting payments
- Details on using Way2Pay on school website
- Any difficulties – contact the Way2Pay helpline [353 61 203355](tel:35361203355) or contact the school.

# Access to Schools Record System for your child

- Eportal system
- Records
  - Attendance
  - Exam Results and reports
  - Events – behaviour and positive comments.
  - Target Setting.
- You will be given username and password, web address to access this in a letter in June 2020. Access will be available from August 2020.

# Permission for Photos

## GDPR

- School must have permission to use photos
- Social Media – Twitter, Facebook and Instagram. Can view from school website.
- On Social Media no names
- Photos also used on Local Newspapers
- Names used on Newspapers.
- Form to be signed giving permission to use photos.



# Next Steps - Summary

- Before end of February you will get text for Books etc from school – total €350.00
- Can be paid in instalments.
- When iPad Store is setup you will be sent details by email and text.
- Payment deadlines for iPad order and Books etc. to ensure that all is ready for beginning of school year.



# Talk for Parents

- Social Media and Protecting Your Child –  
Pat McKenna – Founder of [childwatch.ie](http://childwatch.ie) website
- Digital Age Child Protection
- March 3<sup>rd</sup> 8pm.



# School Website

- [www.borrisokanecce.ie](http://www.borrisokanecce.ie)
- Weekly Activities on School News Section
- Links to Social Media at top of Home Page – Twitter, Facebook, Instagram.
- Follow our accounts to keep up to date on school activities.

