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Dear Parent/Carers.

I hope that you and your child have had an enjoyable summer break and they have had a great first day at Sandringham School.

As you will be aware, every student in Year 7 is required to have their own Chromebook device as part of the equipment they bring to school each day. In March we held a Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Information Evening and published details about our adjusted BYOD programme from this September on the school website - https://sandringham.herts.sch.uk/bring-your-own-device/

For families who purchased the school's custom specification Chromebook through Academia, I am pleased to inform you that these devices have recently be delivered to school and are currently being processed. If you decided to procure a different Chromebook for your child which meets the minimum requirements set out, we trust that this has now arrived and that your child will shortly be able to bring this into school.

On Thursday 8th September and Friday 9th September we will be running sessions with each tutor group where we will be issuing students with their Chromebook (if purchased through Academia), their school credentials (username, password and school email address), as well as getting students familiar with some of our online platforms and tools. If you did not purchase a Chromebook from Academia, please can you ensure that your child brings it to school with them (fully charged) on both the 8th and 9th September. This will be essential so that they can login to their school account and take part in this introductory session.

Following this initial setup session, in Computer Science lessons for the next three to four weeks students will be embarking upon building their digital literacy skills and competencies whilst becoming familiar with Google Workspace and other tools we commonly use throughout the school.

If your child is in receipt of free school meals or pupil premium funding and you requested a device via our loan scheme, please ensure that you have made the payment contribution for the device by 7th September. If you have any queries relating to this, please contact Louise Turner, Pupil Premium Coordinator via admin@sandringham.herts.sch.uk

















Over the coming weeks, we look forward to supporting all of our new students in becoming familiar with the digital tools and technologies we use at Sandringham to support learning whilst students are completing their studies both in school and at home.

Yours sincerely,

Mark Allday Assistant Headteacher