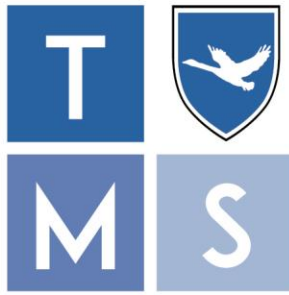


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24<sup>th</sup> August 2023  
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Dear Parents/Carers,

The Malling School Sixth Form is committed to the success of all of our students, those studying either International Baccalaureate Program (IBDP, IBCP), BTECs or the Level 1/2 Vocational Programme.

Due to the nature of lessons and the work that needs to be completed, we feel it is beneficial for students to have access to their own device both in school and at home. Within the IB pathways, both research and completion of student's internal assessments is completed electronically. Within BTEC's, the completion of coursework is electronic and the same for our vocational courses. Therefore, our goal is for every KS5 student to have their own personal computing device which will be invaluable for their studies.

To ensure this, The Malling School would like all KS5 students to be issued a laptop from the school. This will allow students to have access to their intelligent textbooks (online textbooks purchased by the school), write their coursework and internal assessments and revise, both in school and at home. This will also ensure students are able to complete their studies to the best of their ability throughout their time at The Malling School.

Although the laptops will be school issued, we feel it is important for the students to be able to use these at home and keep them once they leave our Sixth Form as this allows students to use them for other purposes such as UCAS, apprenticeship and job applications. Also, they are able to take them with them as they enter the world of work or university and this means there is a cost for each student.

We are unable to connect external devices to The Malling School internet as the BOYD (bring your own device) scheme has not been successful and now has been removed due in part to the revised GDPR policy.

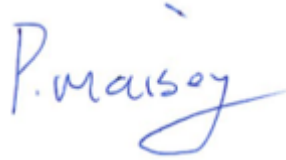
Students are able to buy their personal Dell 3420 (or equivalent) laptops at a subsidised price of £200. This will also come with an added warranty that will cover their time in school. The standard retail price for the equivalent laptop with warranty is approximately £600. Students are expected to bring their laptop and charger to school every day, to use it within their lessons and study periods. Laptops are the responsibility of the students as they will own them.



Students may pay for their laptops in full, or in three instalments: an initial payment of £50 and then three further payments of £50. Please email me; [phillip.maisey@themallingschool.kent.sch.uk](mailto:phillip.maisey@themallingschool.kent.sch.uk) in cases of genuine hardship, or if you have any questions.

If you are purchasing a laptop, please complete and return the form below together with your first payment (using the online payment system) by Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2023.

Yours sincerely,



**Mr Maisey**  
**Director of Sixth Form**

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**To: Mr Maisey - Laptops**

STUDENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to purchase a laptop for my child and have paid the deposit of £50.00/full payment of £200.00\* online using Scopay (\*delete as appropriate).

If payment of £50.00 has been made, I shall pay £50.00 on the 25<sup>th</sup> October 2023, £50.00 on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2023 and £50.00 on the 25<sup>th</sup> of January 2024.

I agree to support my child to look after their laptop and to ensure they bring both the laptop and charger to school each day.

I understand once my child has collected their laptop, it is their responsibility to look after and update the laptop and ensure it is kept safely. I understand the laptop shall not be replaced if lost or broken.

If my child does not return to Year 13, I understand I will be held responsible for full payment of their laptop.

NAME:

SIGNATURE:

DATE:

