

EMBRACING TECHNOLOGY FOR ENHANCED LEARNING EXPERIENCES AT SHERBORNE BOYS



Introduction

Information technology is a part of everyday life, providing the opportunity to learn new skills, to source and process information, to communicate with people all over the globe and a vast array of other important academic, social, and other life skills. Modern employers require young graduates to be ICT literate and conversant with modern applications. It is, therefore, imperative that Shirburnians not only develop robust IT skills, but that they are fully digitally literate – i.e., conversant in the many ways that information technology can facilitate creativity and achievement within a learning setting.

Sherborne Boys intend to equip boys with the skills, training and experience they need to become digitally literate by using school managed devices.

On arrival at Sherborne, your son will be provided with a Windows 11, pen-enabled 2-in-1 laptop which be of a significantly high specification to enable him to work effectively at school.

He will not require any additional devices for his education.

These devices will be equipped with features that maximise learning whilst safeguarding your sons with high level internet filtering and monitoring. Each device includes damage insurance to ensure prompt resolution of any technical issues, offering you peace of mind for continuity of education.

Further Information and Costs

This device scheme is compulsory. The device will be leased by you over the lease agreement of five years. Below is a breakdown of the expected termly costs for each year group and indicates the balloon payment due if your son left the school before the end of the five-year cycle. The cost includes:

- Leasing the device over a period of five years, after which it is deemed to be your property.
- Extended five-year warranty period covering hardware or software faults.
- Insurance covering any accidental damage or theft of the device.
- Maintenance by Sherborne Schools Group ICT Services.
- Fully managed by the school to help protect your son and help him focus on his studies.
- A rugged protective case (which must always remain on the device to ensure insurance coverage).

Number of years at School	Per-Term Cost (£)	Balloon Payment (£) at end of academic year should your son leave the School*
1	£220 for first term, £120 thereafter	£1,140
2	£120	£780
3	£120	£420
4	£120	£60
5	£120	0

* If your son leaves part way through an academic year, termly fees will be added to the balloon payment.

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What will the insurance cover?

The device will be covered for manufacturer defects, accidental damage and theft (one incident per academic year; subsequent incidents during the academic year will incur a £50 excess charge per claim). This includes a hot-swap scheme to minimise disruption to your son's education should his device become inoperable and require repair or replacement. Once a student leaves the School, the insurance cover terminates.

If the device has been deliberately damaged, you may be expected to pay for the full cost of the repair or replacement.

Loss of the device or any peripherals (such as the charger or pen) is not covered by the insurance so you will be expected to cover any costs incurred.

Will my son need to leave the device at school during exeats/half terms/holidays?

Pupils are expected to take the device home during school holidays for continued use, e.g. for revision.

I have some queries, who do I contact?

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