



## RINGWOOD SECONDARY COLLEGE

### YEAR 7 STUDENT APPLE iPad PROGRAM 2020

19 November, 2019

Dear Parent(s) /Guardian(s),

Please find enclosed details of the Ringwood Secondary College 2020 iPad Program for Year 7 students. This device will be used by the students for their learning in Years 7 to 9 from the commencement of 2020. Students will then purchase a Macbook when they commence Year 10.

This is an opportunity for all students to have improved access to learning technologies and online learning. The Program aims to improve student engagement in regular classes and provide enhanced teaching and learning practices for both students and teachers. These programs have been successfully implemented in Australia and overseas and the most dramatic improvements have taken place in environments where students have had their own mobile learning device.

The program provides each student 24/7 to their own 128GB Wi Fi iPad upon payment of the charges as per the payment schedules. Parents may also elect to purchase an approved device from their local retailer and upon payment of the nominal configuration fee the school, apps for learning from the volume purchasing program will be installed on the device as well as connection to the school's network.

The College has made access to this program accessible to all families by developing our own eBooks, school bulk licensing for software and the wide spread use of creative and collaborative applications in each area of study. In the past five years, we have reduced the cost of new text book purchases across Years 7 to 9, by over \$600.00. It has also resulted in increased levels of personalized learning for students.

The College has been able to take advantage of favourable pricing to assist in the affordability of the program.

Please ensure that you respond by the 10 December, 2019 to take advantage of opportunity.

Kind regards,

**Michael Phillips**  
**Principal**