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Dear Parents/Carers of Intake 2023,

Following our recent survey regarding the 1:1 Laptop Scheme, it is evident that there is a lot of interest from parents to equip their child with a new laptop to support their education at Testbourne Community School.

With the above in mind, we are delighted to introduce to you our new laptop scheme initiative, working in partnership with Easy4U. The laptop scheme has been designed to make technology more accessible and affordable for all.

At this time the laptops will be for use at home only so should not be brought into school. In some circumstances, e.g., if a child has a specific need which means they routinely use a laptop, they may be able to bring their own device with agreement from the SEND team or another senior member of staff. Please note that it is not compulsory for a child to have a laptop or to bring their own device to school, but a lot of homework and revision materials are set using electronic platforms so access to a laptop is strongly recommended.

The Easy4U laptop scheme aims to empower your child to fully engage in their studies, foster independent learning, and develop essential digital skills. By providing them with their own affordable personal laptop, we aim to bridge the digital divide and ensure that all students have equal access to educational resources at home.

The laptop scheme will include the following benefits:

- Accidental Damage and theft cover (limited excess per damage/theft incident of £50.00, maximum of 3 incidents during the contract).
- Contract, administration, and handling of direct debit payments.
- Delivery and issuing of the laptops to each student.
- Optional extension of warranty from 12 months to 60 months for parts.
- Telephone and email support.
- Service portal for parents and carers to see an overview of subscription details, invoicing, and repairs.
- Service and maintenance available at the school and at home during non-term times.
- Replacement (loan) equipment during hardware repairs.
- Solid protective sleeve for the laptop

Due to the flexibility of the scheme, we are pleased to be able to offer four options of laptops so you can find one that suits you and your child's needs. They are two different models each with the option of having a touchscreen. The Dell Latitude 3140 devices are budget-friendly, and the

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Latitude 3340 model is more premium. The device options are listed in the table below along with

the different contract lengths and associated monthly payment:

Make	Model	Specification		Touchscreen?	Monthly Payment*
Dell	Latitude 3140	11.6" HD Screen Intel N200 Processor 8GB RAM 256GB SSD HD Camera/Mic	2x USB 3.2 3.5mm headphone/ mic combo port	No	24-months: £24.10 36-months: £17.50 48-months: £14.30 60-months: £12.30
Dell	Latitude 3140	11.6" HD Screen Intel N200 Processor 8GB RAM 256GB SSD HD Camera/Mic	2x USB 3.2 3.5mm headphone/ mic combo port	Yes	24-months: £27.30 36-months: £19.80 48-months: £16.00 60-months: £13.70
Dell	Latitude 3340	13.3" Full HD Screen Intel 13 <sup>th</sup> Gen i5-1335U Processor 8GB RAM 256GB SSD	Full HD Camera/Mic 2x USB3.2 1x USB-C 3.5mm headphone/ mic combo port	No	24-months: £31.90 36-months: £23.70 48-months: £19.10 60-months: £16.40
Dell	Latitude 3340	13.3" Full HD Screen Intel 13 <sup>th</sup> Gen i5-1335U Processor 8GB RAM 256GB SSD	Full HD Camera/Mic 2x USB3.2 1x USB-C 3.5mm headphone/ mic combo port	Yes	24-months: £38.40 36-months: £28.10 48-months: £22.60 60-months: £19.20

<sup>\*</sup> There is a deposit of 4-months of rent per device (not applicable if laptop is purchased outright).

At the end of the monthly payment plan, you will have the following two options:

- Return the laptop to Easy4U and get your 4-months deposit returned.
- Choose to keep the laptop, for the price of your initial deposit.

Attached with this letter is a flyer with instructions on accessing the online web store to get your device ordered. We aim to get the laptops issued at the start of the new academic year by Friday 15 September 2023.

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To find out more about the Easy4U laptop scheme, please refer to the attached brochure or visit the laptop scheme page on our website: <a href="http://go.testbourne.school/laptopscheme">http://go.testbourne.school/laptopscheme</a> or contact us via <a href="laptops@testbourne.school">laptops@testbourne.school</a>. There will also be an Easy4U representative attending the New Intake Information Evening on Wednesday 5 July 2023, who will be happy to answer any questions you may have. Yours faithfully,

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