



17<sup>th</sup> November 2020

## Academic Intervention Devices

Dear Parent/Carer,

### Importance of learning

The COVID-19 pandemic has shown the whole country and our school how important it is for children to access their learning. While we cannot ever replace the classroom, we can help to close gaps in learning that have opened since schools were closed by enabling our pupils to manage some of their own learning at home. The best way to achieve this is to have a suitable device and a broadband internet connection at home.

### A Chromebook/ Dell device on loan for the academic year 2020-2021

As your child is eligible for the pupil premium/recognised as in need of a device, we are providing a Chromebook/Dell on loan to your child for the rest of this academic year. This device should be kept at home to enable your child to access their lessons from home if we have to send children home as a result of COVID. Your child can also use the Chromebook/Dell to help them complete their homework, access any catch-up resources that teachers share with them and provide a gateway to the World Wide Web - enabling your child to independently develop their learning further.

There is no charge to borrow this device. However, you will have to pay if the Chromebook is stolen, lost or damaged. You will be required to sign a contract to this effect, which we will talk through with you.

Your child will receive their Chromebook / Dell device on 4<sup>th</sup> December and will provide you with more details on how these will be issued closer to the time.

### Code of conduct/ Agreement

Parent Evening – we will hold a Parent Evening for the issue of the Chromebook/ Dell device and to ensure that the code of conduct/ contract of agreement is signed by both yourself and your child. Within the contract there is guidance for how it should be treated and what to do in the case of any issue with the Chromebook/ Dell device. The Code of conduct complies with the school behaviour and expectations policy - “Vandalism/Damage to property or any act that brings the school into disrepute” and the ICT acceptable use policy.

### What next?

I am sure that you will have lots of questions. We have included a summary of frequently asked questions on the school website and hope that this answers most of them for now.

If you have any additional questions, please contact Mrs. Iglinski at the school on [c.iglinski@arkalexandra.org](mailto:c.iglinski@arkalexandra.org) with the subject Digital Device.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'L Collins'.

Principal

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