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Dear Parents/Carers,

Further to our letter last half term regarding the changes to our 1:1 iPad initiative agreement and the subsequent date for the iPads to be sent home, I am pleased to share that our learners and our colleagues are now suitably prepared for the iPads to go home, Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2024.

We have taken some extra time to ensure our learners are ready for the opportunities and the responsibilities that come with taking the iPad to and from school each day, and we are confident that a strong home/school partnership will ensure its short and long-term success.

As a reminder, we have opted for a staged approach whereby certain aspects of the iPad are restricted to support families and children in getting used to the device and establishing routines.

During the times when the iPad is available, internet access will be through Safari (the web browser) until 4.30pm and then through Showbie – our digital workbook app – from 4.30pm onwards. This provides children with the opportunity to engage in safe and responsible use of the internet for a scheduled period of time, before then making use of in interesting websites directed by their teachers for them to enjoy. Our learners will also be able to use CENTURY and ClassCharts throughout this period too.

Thank you all for your patience and continued support. Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any questions or comments.

Kind regards,

Erin Stewart – Deputy Headteacher

