

# PATRICKS ROAD STATE SCHOOL

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## BYOD iPad PROGRAM FOR 2025 SCHOOL YEAR (for students entering Year 3 in 2025)

Dear Parent/Caregiver,

I am writing to provide details relating to your child's participation in the Patricks Road State School's BYO iPad program in 2025.

All students entering Year 3 in 2025 will be accessing the iPad program through one of the options listed on the attached form. We will not be offering non-iPad classes. Our school values the importance of being digitally connected with local and global communities. We are committed to supporting and empowering our students to maximise their full potential through the use of ICTs embedded within the eight Learning Areas of the Australian Curriculum. We highly encourage parents/caregivers to purchase or provide an iPad device for your child, where possible, to enhance their curriculum learning experiences at school and to support the integration of Information Communication Technologies more effectively across the curriculum.

Options for participation in this program are detailed in the attached form. Please select how your child will be participating in this program. All information collected on this form will be kept strictly confidential. Please return the form, either directly to the office or classroom teacher, by Friday October 11th.

For parents selecting Option 1, preferences for iPad specifications are listed below.

### **iPad Specifications/Requirements** (iPad, Headphones, iPad cover)

Apple iPad products	Storage required	Wi-Fi Model
iPad 10 <sup>th</sup> Gen or 9 <sup>th</sup> Gen	64GB or higher	YES
iPad Air 4 <sup>th</sup> Gen or later	64GB or higher	YES
iPad Pro 11 inch 4 <sup>th</sup> Gen or later	64GB or higher	YES



- 1 set of Headphones, either Bluetooth or hard-wired (needs to have the correct connection for your child's iPad, **note that 10<sup>th</sup> Gen requires Bluetooth or a USB-C to Audio Adaptor**)
- Protective Cover/Case
- **Highly Recommended:** Screen Guard, Stylus (any compatible brand)
- **iPad Mini is not a suitable option**

**Note:** We understand that some parents/caregivers may choose to purchase or provide a second-hand iPad, iPad Air, or iPad Pro (older models). It is important to note that older model iPads **must be capable of running iPad OS 17**. It is also important for parents/caregivers to consider that the life of an older model iPad will be significantly reduced and may/may not last your child's primary schooling years.

### **Apps:**

There are a number of iPad Educational Apps that your child will utilise as part of their learning program. The list of required apps for 2025 is currently under review and will be made available shortly. It will be the responsibility of parents/caregivers to download the required school apps.

Should you require any assistance please do not hesitate to contact myself via email [rnapi9@eq.edu.au](mailto:rnapi9@eq.edu.au) or the school office.

Yours sincerely,

Russell Napier  
Deputy Principal (Year 2 – Year 4)

Kerri McGrath  
Principal

# Enrolment options for the Patricks Road BYO iPad Program

(students entering Year 3 in 2025)



CHILD'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ YEAR 2 CLASS: \_\_\_\_\_

Please tick one access option below

## OPTION 1 – BYO iPad

Purchase own iPad for your child to use from your choice of seller or supply your child with an already existing iPad that you own. Most sellers will offer instalment payments through the use of programs such as afterpay<sup>®</sup> or zip<sup>®</sup>

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- 1 set of Headphones, either Bluetooth or hard-wired (may require USB-C to Audio Adaptor depending on model of iPad purchased)
- Protective Cover/Case
- Highly Recommended: Screen Guard, Stylus (any compatible brand)
- iPad Mini is not a suitable option
- While WIFI + Cellular models are allowed, **SIM cards cannot be installed.**

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You may wish to insure your child's device on your Home and Contents insurance as a portable item. Options such as AppleCare or other seller programs, may be offered to you at a point of purchase. Please discuss or read the terms and conditions attached to this additional care to see if it suits your needs before deciding to purchase this extra cover.

## OPTION 2 – HIRE Program

Join the PRSS iPad hire program (Student Resource Scheme) to access a school iPad. Pay \$265 for the first year of hire, then \$200 per year for each year of hire after that. The hire cost includes all apps, a cover, maintenance costs and use of the device. When the hire period expires, the device is returned to the school.

This is similar to an instrumental music hire program where the child can take home the device and therefore the device needs to be insured under the family's contents insurance (as a portable device), as **you will be liable to cover costs for any accidental damage.**

If you select this option, you will be sent home a **Student Resource Scheme** document to complete and sign.

## OPTION 3 – School Assistance for families experiencing financial hardship or other circumstances

If you would like to discuss this option further please include your details below and the school will contact you to discuss how we will assist your child in accessing this program.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred method of communication: (please include details)

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this form, either directly to the office or classroom teacher, by **Monday 14th October.**