

Wednesday 20th May, 2015

Dear Parent, Carer or Guardian,

The UCL Academy - Technology to Support Students Learning at Level 2

We were delighted that over 140 of you attended the – Level 1+ Parent iPad Scheme Consultation on Tuesday May 5th, and learnt that we are committed to giving our students the best possible opportunities to learn and grow, and equip them for future employment in an increasingly digital age. As our level 1+ students move into level 2 and begin their GCSE courses we are exploring how best we can develop the use of technology to support their learning. We therefore aim, from September, to provide an iPad to each student, to give them access to resources to help them learn at school as well as at home. We can't however afford to finance this without parental support. If we get enough support and commitment from parents we will run this e-learning programme and give your child the opportunity to improve their learning opportunities both at home and in school.

To date we have received just over 50 responses to the questionnaire which was 'on-line' on our school web-site. We cannot make a decision based upon this low number of responses as we need at least 90 % of parents supporting the programme for it to be implemented.

Unfortunately this is your last opportunity to let us know what you think about this exciting programme which we feel confident will improve your son or daughter's learning opportunities (academic, social and digital).

The e-Learning programme which will last for 2 years will include the following elements:

- Apple iPad Air 2 16 GB WiFi
- STM Dux Case
- Application software
- Theft & Accidental Damage Insurance
- Full Support

By supporting this programme and working together we know that we can enhance the learning opportunities for all learners within the Academy.

As a community we can ensure equality and the support that everyone needs to succeed. No one will be excluded from the programme purely on financial grounds alone.

If you could fill in this short survey, and send it back to school as soon as possible or by 03/06/2015 at the latest, it would help establish if we are able to launch the programme in September.

Many thanks,

Please return signed questionnaire to your Head of House by 03/06/2015

Please answer the following questions to the best of your ability (tick one box):

1. I am interested in an opportunity for my child to have access to a school computer/learning technology to support their learning at home and at school?

- Yes
- No

2. Please choose which option below best describes any internet connection you may have at home:

- Wireless broadband
- Non-wireless broadband
- Dial-up internet
- We do not have an internet connection (*please also answer q2a)

2a. Please choose which option below best describes your home:

- Sky/Cable TV
- Home land line
- We do not have sky/cable or a land line.

3. Please state if you feel your child would benefit from the following Assistive Technology software on your computer:

- Software to support literacy development, reading, writing and spelling
- Software to help learners with visual impairments access information
- Speech recognition software to control the computer and type text
- Large keyboard, special mouse or other device to help with a physical difficulty

Please specify:

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- Other software for disabilities or to help with special education needs: please specify:

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4. Please indicate which areas you would like to develop in your own ICT learning?

- e-safety training
- Parent portal training
- Internet training
- other
- office applications

We are eligible for Free School Meals Yes No

While we may be able to apply for grant funding to meet some of the costs, to make the project work, we will need a large majority of our parents to contribute towards the cost, ideally around £17 per month for a 2 year project. Please indicate whether you feel you could donate monthly at this level:

- Could donate the suggested £17 per month
- Could possibly donate the suggested £17 per month
- Could donate a part of this per month e.g. £ _____
- Would not be able to donate

Full name of child: _____

Signed by person with Parental Responsibility: _____

Print Name: _____

Date: _____