1:1 Digital Learning @ Cramond

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (P5-P7)

This FAQ sheet will begin to answer many of the questions that you may have about 1:1 Digital Learning.

What is 1:1 Digital Learning?

1:1 digital learning is learning transformed through pupils having access to ICT at all times. To support this we will provide your child with an iPad that they can use for learning both in school and at home.

How will 1:1 Digital Learning help my child? 1:1 digital learning helps prepare pupils for success in our rapidly evolving digital world by:

- providing access to up-to-date, authentic information from a huge variety of sources
- allowing us to personalise and transform learning and teaching using a wide range of digital tools
- allowing us to extend learning, collaborate and publish beyond the classroom
- improving home school links by increasing parental involvement in the learning process
- helping develop the learning, critical thinking and digital literacy skills, vital for success in today's technology rich society

Will my child be using their iPad in every lesson? The iPads will be used to enhance learning and teaching in many ways. Ipads will help develop each individuals CREATIVITY, CONFIDENCE, CRITICAL THINKING and COMMUNICATION skills. The technology will enhance rather than replace traditional tools for learning and teaching.

What training have staff undertaken in preparation for 1:1 Digital Learning? Staff have been using iPads for their work and with students for several years, they harness this experience to further explore what learning could look like when pupils are issued with their own devices. The sharing of good practice amongst staff has taken place throughout this time, coupled with various in-house workshops.

When will my child be issued with an iPad? iPads will be issued once they are delivered and staff are confident that their learners are ready to be responsible users. Information will be shared with parents and carers along with an agreement to be signed.

Will there be 'getting started' sessions for my child to learn the basics of using the iPad? 'Getting started' sessions will take place when iPads are distributed.

Will my child bring their iPad home? Yes.

How long will my child have their iPad for? It is anticipated that your child will continue to use their iPad as they move through the school. They will return it at the end of their time with us at Cramond Primary School.

Do I need to contribute to the cost of the iPad? It is the current policy of the City of Edinburgh Council not to ask parents/carers to contribute to the cost of the iPad. However, we will ask for voluntary contribution of £20 towards a case to protect the iPad. We will also ask for a contribution towards any loss or damage, as stated in the Home School Agreement. A suite of apps will be identified by the school and provided for each pupil. Any additional apps deemed appropriate by individual departments will be issued as required.
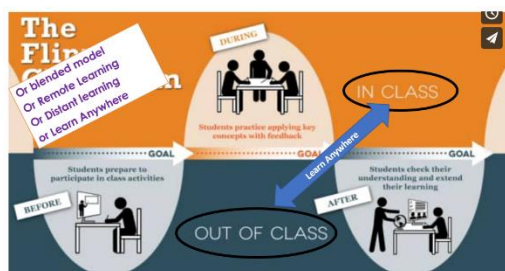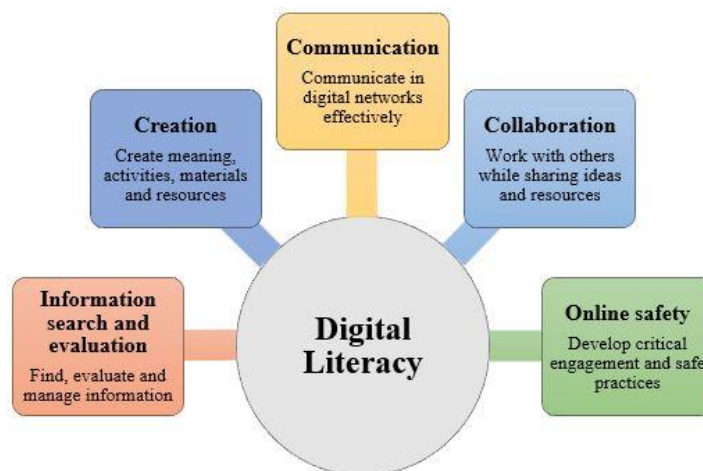
What responsibilities will my child have for the safe use of the iPad? Pupils will be expected to bring their iPads to school each day fully charged up. Any technical issues should be brought to the attention of the class teacher as soon as possible.

Pupils will be reminded of the safe use of the internet and social networking sites, as well as local authority policy on taking photos and making videos, prior to the devices being distributed. Particularly important is CONSENT by others being filmed or photographed.

What are my responsibilities as a parent/ carer? We would encourage parents/carers to support the school by reinforcing the messages regarding safe use of technology. The use of filters to control access to certain web content at home is recommended. Parent/Carer advice is updated regularly on thinkuknow website.

Parents/carers should encourage their child to **fully charge their iPad** prior to coming into school and report any breakages or technical issues as soon as possible.

Do I need to provide internet access at home? While it is anticipated that some apps will require internet access, this is provided in school.

What if the iPad is damaged? This should be reported to the school immediately. We will assess the damage and determine if it is a fault or accidental damage.

Can a Pupil use their own device instead? No. Both on equity grounds and security. In order promote a consistent learning environment with as much support as possible, we expect pupils to use the devices that are issued to them. In order to fulfil City of Edinburgh Council's data security policies, the devices are encrypted and managed via central mobile device management software.

Cramond Primary using 1:1 Ipads to enhance learning & teaching at second level 2020/21