



Ark Elvin Academy

27th April 2021

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 as part of school equipment

We are delighted that we will be providing your child with a Chromebook device for rest of their time at our school. We want them to keep this device at home during the day for now, to help them complete their homework, access resources that their teachers are sharing with them, and provide a gateway to the World Wide Web enabling your child to independently develop their learning further. We will also be setting all homework on Microsoft Teams from now on. All homework on Microsoft Teams will appear on the MCAS app. If you are not currently using the app, please [click here](#) to request it.

Your child's Chromebook will last at least 5 years and so will be their device for all of their time in our school. When your child leaves school at the end of year 11, they will be able to take the device with them. It is the responsibility of you and your child to look after this device. The school will pay for this device for you; however, you may have to pay if the Chromebook is stolen, lost or damaged. Your child will receive their Chromebook in the **week beginning 3rd May 2021**.

What next?

- Please read and sign [this agreement](#) so that your child can receive their device
- Join us for a Q&A session on MS Teams at **4pm on Friday 30th April 2021** to have your questions answered. [Click here](#) to join us.



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If you have any additional questions, please email info@arkelvinacademy.org.

Yours faithfully,

Rebecca Curtis
Principal