

Over the last few years, Carranballac P-9 College has invested over \$500,000 to improve our Information and Communication Technology (ICT) infrastructure, with the aim of providing our students with easily accessible computer devices for use in the classroom.

The College currently has nine trolleys housing a number of laptops, three computer pods (small room with desktop computers), and two computer labs (larger room with desktop computers). Our ratio of students per device is 6:1 across the College. Through the week, students attend scheduled computer classes however; classes have limited access to computers within the College.

Our commitment to ICT will continue into the future in order to meet the growing needs of our community. As our College strengthens its curriculum, there is an increased emphasis for students to engage in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) focused lessons. Students who have access to their own personal device will be able to engage with technology during their lessons, broaden their knowledge beyond the school day, and make them more competent digital citizens.

We are keen to provide students with greater access to computers and look to parents for support. In addition to the computers provided at the College, we encourage families with children in Years 5 – 9 to purchase a personal laptop for use at school. This provides the certainty that your child has access to his or her own computer any time one is needed in the classroom, and will have access to Microsoft 365 and Compass Learnings Tasks when this module is introduced next year.

To assist families in deciding what device they should purchase, a list of recommended devices is shown below. After the device is purchased, students may bring their laptop to our College ICT technicians to connect to the College WI-FI, Microsoft Office 365, including OneDrive (online cloud based storage). These installations are free for students of the College.

<p>HP ProBook 430 G4-Z3Y42PA Intel i5-7200U 8GB RAM 128GB SSD HDD 13.3" HD Screen HD620 Windows 10 Home Edition 1 Year Warranty \$959 inc.gst</p>	<p>HP Pavillion X360 11-AD008TU Intel i3-7100U 4GB RAM 128GB SSD HDD 11.6" HD LED Screen WL-AC BT Windows 10 Home Edition Touch Screen 1 Year Warranty \$949 inc.gst</p>	<p>HP 250 G6 2FG07PA Intel i3-6006U 4GB RAM 500GB HDD 15.6" HD Screen Intel 520 Windows 10 Home Edition \$559 inc.gst</p>
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Quote supplied by Unity Computers, Brooklyn (03) 93156247

You are not required to purchase any device from Unity Computers, and may choose to purchase elsewhere. This list gives you some idea of the expected costs, and the specifications that are recommended for your child's device. The College technicians will be able to connect most notebook and laptop computers to the College wireless network.

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