

ARIS Tablet GuideBook - 2020/2021 Academic Year

Dear Parents,

For over three years now, the mode of teaching and learning at the Secondary school at ARIS has been a Blended Learning environment. A Blended learning environment is an integration between learning using online Ed-tech tools and face to face learning. It is imperative in such an environment that students have a device that facilitates online learning. With the onset of the COVID19 pandemic, learning in the last semester was taken online (virtual) for both the secondary as well as primary school. In light of this significant shift to virtual learning across all programmes at ARIS, **all students at ARIS are required to have a device to facilitate learning.**

There were significant lessons learnt during the virtual learning period. Without doubt though, the major lesson learnt had to do with the devices which were in use, especially for students in primary as all secondary students were using school provided tablets. We would like to give parents from primary the option to choose however, we highly recommend purchase of devices from school for the following reasons:

1. The school device comes equipped with a stylus for easy note taking, annotation and use with Ed-Tech tools. The stylus which comes as a part of the tablet is programmed to work with the EMR screen.
2. We highly recommend the purchase of the keyboard case as it allows for a one device solution for the students. Typing skill is an important skill to be developed and we recommend Year 2 onwards to opt for the Package A (Deluxe) which comes with the keyboard case included.
3. The school has an agreement with the supplier for economical repair prices.

Please see below the requirements categorized by the various programmes/year groups.

EY and PYP:

Students in EY and PYP section can do either of the following:

- a) BYOD (Bring Your Own Device): Students under this category are allowed to bring their own devices from home as long as they meet the criteria for the following minimum specs:
- All tablets must have an electronic stylus compatible with the make of your tablet
 - 9.5" minimum screen size
 - 3 GB minimum RAM
 - 32 GB internal storage
 - 5MP rear camera
 - Battery - 6500 MAh

- All screens must have screen protectors and tablet covers

All such devices will have to be registered in the school network.

b) Buy from School:

Alternatively, you can buy the tablet from the school which is a higher configuration than the one above. **All devices will come registered on the school network.**

MYP

1. School provided tablets will be given to all students from MYP1 - MYP5 once the School Device Policy has been signed by them.
2. The tablets will come configured with their accounts.
- 3. The tablets will come registered on the school network.**

DP/CP

1. All DP students are required to have a laptop and come under the BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) category. The minimum specs for the laptops are as follows:
 - Minimum 8 GB RAM
 - Operating System:
 - Windows 10 in case you are using Windows Based System
 - Mac OS Catalina 10.15
 - Display Size: As per user's preference
 - Licensed Antivirus
 - **All devices will have to be registered on the school network.**

Please see below tablet specification and pricing details:

Tablet	SAMSUNG GALAXY TAB S6 LITE 64GB 10.4 screen display	GHS 2100/ USD 350
Keyboard Case	Tab S6 Lite Targus Case Slim Keyboard Cover GP-FBP615TGA	GHS 504/ USD 84
Basic Case	SAMSUNG TAB S6 LITE COVER	GHS 90/ USD 15
Screen Protector	Tab S6 Lite KDLab ETC Core Tempered Glass GP-TTP615KDA	GHS 90/ USD 15

Earphones	REMAX WIRED MUSIC EARPHONE RM-550	GHS 30/ USD 5
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You can choose any of the following packages to buy:

1. Package A (Deluxe): Tablet, Deluxe Keyboard Case, Screen Protector - USD 449
2. Package B (Basic): Tablet, Basic Case, Screen Protector - USD 380
3. Package C (Year 7 and New Secondary Student Deluxe Accessories) : USD 99/ GHS 594
4. Package D (Year 7 and New Secondary Student Basic Accessories) : USD 30/ GHS 180
5. Wired Earphones: USD 5

****Earphones are mandatory, you can purchase these or purchase any other style based on your ward's comfort.**

**** Year 7 and New Secondary students have already bought the tablet with no accessories and they should choose from Package C or D.**

Package A is optional however, we highly recommend its purchase as it increases the productivity of the tool by using the keyboard case.

Please note the following important information:

- a) The tablet will be delivered one week after you get a receipt of funds received via email from **ARIS Student Accounts**.
- b) Keyboard case in Package A (Deluxe) and Package C (Year 7 and New Secondary Student Deluxe Accessories) will be delivered 6 weeks after you get a receipt of funds received via email from **ARIS Student Accounts**.

Please use the link below for making online payments.

[ARIS Online Payment Link](#)

You can use any of the following options to pay:

1. Mobile Money
2. Credit Card
3. Debit Card

Please be sure to put your student name and Student ID code in the “Add Extra Remarks” section while making the online payments as can be seen in the screenshot below:

Add extra remarks

Short description

** Schedule for the registration of the BYOD and IB DP/CP devices will be shared in the first week of August.