Dear Parents/Guardians,

As new technologies continue to change the world in which we live, they also provide many new and positive educational benefits for classroom instruction. Anytime, anywhere access to technology helps your daughter develop greater independence, increase her engagement with school work, and develop skills required to thrive in the 21st Century. The digital devices currently used by students are owned and managed by the school. Current research shows that best outcomes for students are achieved when they use their own device because they are more familiar with its use and take personal ownership of the device. With this in mind, St. Mary’s College will be commencing a Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) program in 2016 for students entering Years 7 and 10.

Students entering Years 8, 9, 11, and 12 in 2016 will continue with the current college digital device program (which includes a technology levy) until its completion at the end of 2016. It is expected that by 2017 all senior school students will be providing their own approved laptop.

We would also like to encourage your questions, and have created an easy form for you to use in order to ask something specific.
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1agUpYcHxVqfRWvqWnY9c_B1Y-FdlpHGFIgZdMo9E/viewform

There will be an information session for those interested in attending on Tuesday 27th October 2015 from 6.00pm in the Mary Morgan Wing. Please advise Tammy Carlton (tcarlton@smc.tas.edu.au) of your attendance by Tuesday 20th October 2015.

Yours sincerely

Mr Tom Dorey
Principal