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PRESS START: THE YBPS iPad PROGRAM

As you may be aware, Yanchep Beach Primary School operates a highly successful one-to-one iPad program, called *Press Start*, starting in Year Four.

Press Start is a different kind of learning experience. Each child has a personal iPad that is used as an educational tool to enhance their learning across all areas of the curriculum. The program is a partnership between school and home, with parents funding the cost of devices.

In less than six months' time, *Press Start* will launch for your child. This letter describes some opportunities for you to learn more so that your child will be able to gain the full benefit of the program when it launches in Term Two of 2018.

Open Day – Thursday 9 November

We are pleased to invite all parents to attend an open day and see *Press Start* in action. The day is a chance for parents to come in and see how their investment is being, or will be, used as a powerful tool for learning.

To attend the open day, please come into school on Thursday 9 November. There will be two sessions; one will commence at 10 am (immediately following the school assembly), while the other will commence at 2 pm. Please come to the front office at your preferred time and you will be guided to the Year Four classrooms.

Parent Steering Committee

Thank you to all of parents who have participated in the *Press Start* Steering Committee in previous years. The Steering Committee is the group that makes key decisions which shape this program. It is your opportunity to make your voice heard and help guide the program for the benefit of all students.

The next Steering Committee meeting will be held in the school library at 3:15 pm on Thursday 9 November (immediately following the second open day session). We warmly welcome any parents who would like to join.

Purchasing a Device

There is no need to purchase a device right now. However, with the Christmas period approaching, we understand that many parents may decide that this is a good opportunity to purchase a device an iPad ahead of the program officially starting in Term Two, 2018.

We will be providing regular updates over coming weeks as well as running information sessions where parents can learn more about the program and have their questions answered. This will include detailed information about how to obtain a device and the minimum technical specifications for 2018.

Thank you again for your support of this program. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me on 08 9561 6080.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paul Fuller', written in a cursive style.

Paul Fuller

ASSOCIATE PRINCIPAL

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