iSJHS Embracing digital learning

Agenda

- Sharing our 1:1 learning vision and how it is becoming a reality
- A classroom teacher's perspective of how 1:1 digital technology can enhance learning
- How interested parents can purchase an iPad through the school scheme



Our Learning Vision

Our vision is to provide a learning environment where all students can learn.

Consistently high quality teaching contributes significantly to the very high standards achieved by pupils. (Estyn 2013)

The standards achieved by pupils are outstanding. The school has sustained high levels of performance...outstanding progress and achievement of all pupils... (Estyn 2013)



Our iLearning Vision

By giving our students more *creative freedom* and *ownership* of their learning and by bringing parents/carers into a *closer relationship* with the teaching and learning at the school, we pledge to build strong skills in our students which are highly relevant to the digital world we are living in.

The best lesson, the best learning may involve a lot, a little or no iPad.

Choice

- School-owned device: school owns and controls the devices. They are bookable and the teacher decides when they are used
- BYOD: Devices chosen by parent. All types of devices can be used. Student owns device.
- School purchase scheme: School negotiates package via a scheme. School provides support and training for the device. Student owns device.



From vision to reality The journey so far..

Research-iPad v the laptop

iPad v Other Tablets Not about the hardware. About the learning

Heavily involved in education over the past 25 years

 900,000 apps of which 95,000 are specifically education focussed and can extend rich, deep and extensive learning

 Apple build their own hardware and software and they are more rigorous in the checks that an app has to go through before it's allowed on the App-Store-robust and safe

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- Content delivery is key-Apple have a content delivery system specifically for education; iTunes U. It allows students to download course notes, course materials, recordings digitally. As well as annotate materials, textbooks purchased via Apple, iTunes store, create own interactive books...
- Educational support-Apple Distinguished Educators

From vision to reality The journey so far...

- Introduction of a new wireless network
- Procurement of commercial project partners
- Launch of staff as digital champions. Research and development of new approaches to teaching



From vision to reality The journey so far...

- Training for project team
- Launch to staff
- Training for staff
- Launch to parents/carers



Next Steps

- Launch of student digital leaders
- The management and roll-out of iPad orders for students-15th December 2014
- Training for staff, students, parents/carers
- A dedicated iSJHS website

