Creating an Apple ID

In order to effectively use iPads each student requires access to an Apple ID to download Apps. This includes paid and free Apps.

Any email address can be used for setting up an Apple ID. This could be a parent’s existing email address or an email address such as a gmail or iCloud that the whole family can use. The advantages of using a family ID are that all family members can share an App from a single purchase and ID use is transparent to parents as every action made by your child on that ID will be notified to the parent email - this will include purchases, free downloads, log in to another device, password changes etc.

There are several ways in which this can be done that offer different levels of additional functionality, all of which are free.

Option #1 – Create an Apple ID with attached iCloud services.

This is the best method if you wish to set up a new email address as it automatically creates an Apple ID for you at the same time. It is possible to also use an existing email address. This is the easiest way to get access to the backup facilities of iCloud.

Option #2 – Create an Apple ID only

This method requires you to have an existing email address. It could be an iCloud, gmail or any other email address. Once the Apple ID is created it is possible to easily enable iCloud services at a later stage.

Option #3 – Use a parent’s existing Apple ID

No set up is required as students use the parent details.
Option #1 – Create an Apple ID with attached iCloud services.

1. Select the **Settings** icon on the iPad

2. Select **iCloud** in the left sidebar

3. Select **Create a new Apple ID**

4. Enter a parent birthday. This is to ensure that the account is in the name of someone over 13 years of age which is a condition of setting up an Apple ID
5. Enter the name of the person (parent) setting up the account

6. Select **Get a free iCloud email Address** or enter current email address

7. Enter a family name for the email address and ID

8. Create your new address
9. Enter a password that conforms to the requirements. Use a combination that is meaningful to your family group.

10. Answer the three security questions. Whilst time consuming at this stage, these questions are very useful if the account password is forgotten.
11. Add a secondary email address, again useful if other details get forgotten or the original email address becomes inaccessible.

12. If you do not wish to receive messages from Apple then move the slider bar to cover the green

13. Agree to the Terms and Conditions
14. Your Apple ID is now set up.
15. Go to Settings > iCloud to view the various options available. The most important feature here is to turn on **Find My iPad** – this will use your iPad’s in-build GPS functionality to locate your iPad on a map if it ever becomes lost or stolen.
Option # 2 – Create an Apple ID only

1. Select the App Store icon on the iPad

2. Select the Featured option at the bottom left of the screen.
3. Scroll to the bottom on the page and press the Sign In button
4. Select Create New Apple ID

5. Confirm Country

6. Agree to the Terms of Service
7. Enter Account details

If you do not wish to subscribe to email news then deselect the green slider buttons.

Option #3 – Use a parent’s existing Apple ID

Your child can use an existing parent Apple ID as their own, no set up is required in this case. This is a simple solution but be aware that your child would need to know your password, which would give them full access to all services attached to that ID, including all the Apps within the parent account. This method is definitely not recommended if a parent credit card is attached to the account as there would be no limit to student spending.

Parents could keep the ID details to themselves and use this method to download Apps for their child. This is secure but not recommended as there can be delays in students getting access to the Apps they require. It also works against the school’s efforts to promote responsible and ethical use by our student.
Points for Consideration

a. Make a Password that is meaningful to your child and thus easier to remember. Keep a copy of the login and Password details.

b. It would be advantageous for your child to be able to purchase personal Apps. This is best done by purchasing an iTunes card to create limited credit on the account. Press the redeem button at the bottom of the App Store and enter the code on the back of the card.

c. It is not advisable to attach a credit card to a family account.