



Grades 4-6  
iPad guide.

# Technology at CIS.

At CIS, technology is integrated into both our curriculum and classroom activities, providing students with rich and meaningful 21st century learning experiences.

In primary school, iPads, and a range of age appropriate digital resources, are used in ways that help students personalise their learning, reflect on what they have learnt, and demonstrate content mastery.

Our primary teachers, supported by our digital literacy coaches, are able to use technology to transform teaching and learning as they apply best practice models and standards, including:

- 1 the SAMR model  
Scan the QR code or visit:  
[www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZQTx2UQQvbU](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZQTx2UQQvbU)



- 2 the International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE)  
Scan the QR code or visit:  
[www.iste.org/standards/for students](http://www.iste.org/standards/for students)



- 3 Common Sense Education  
Scan the QR code or visit:  
[www.commonsense.org/education/scope-and-sequence](http://www.commonsense.org/education/scope-and-sequence)



## Digital literacy skills.

Digital literacy skills and the ISTE standards are embedded into our curriculum, ensuring our teachers are able to teach students how to become digital citizens and develop the digital literacy skills they will need in order to function and participate fully in a digital world.

A digital citizen acts appropriately and ethically in an online environment. They are able to resolve conflicts, source material ethically, and interact with the wider world in a responsible manner.

You can learn more about digital citizenship, digital literacy skills and the ISTE standards at

Scan the QR code or visit:  
[www.iste.org/standards/for-students](http://www.iste.org/standards/for-students)



## Grades 4-6: Bring your own iPad

When used as a learning tool, technology can make learning more engaging. iPads allow students to easily capture their learning, reflect on it in a variety of ways, and share it with an audience - both at school and [potentially] beyond the classroom walls.

All students in grades 4 to 6 are required to bring a fully charged iPad to school every day. The iPad must also have the school required apps installed.

### IPAD REQUIREMENTS

- latest 9.7 inch iPad model (6th generation)
- minimum of 32GB storage, but a higher storage capacity is preferable
- a protective case (we recommend a Logitech Slim Folio iPad keyboard case)
- a stylus (we recommend an Apple Pencil). The stylus is used for note-taking, writing and drawing
- headphones or earbuds with a built-in microphone

For further details regarding devices, please refer to the 'One to World iPad Programme Parent Guide.'

Scan the QR code or visit:  
<https://sites.google.com/cis.edu.sg/ipad-programme/ipad-programme>



### WHERE CAN WE BUY AN IPAD?

The Singapore Apple Store on Orchard Road offers the Apple Family Funded Programme, which allows CIS students to get an educational discount on certain Apple devices. Apple employees can also provide in-store unboxing and assistance in preparing the device to be school ready.

### APPLE ID SETUP

Parents are responsible for creating an Apple ID in the Singapore iTunes store. This is necessary because Apple IDs from other countries may not support the school required apps.



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## REQUIRED IPAD APPS

### Grade 4 apps

Scan the QR code or visit: [bit.ly/2UJXa2P](http://bit.ly/2UJXa2P)



### Grade 5 apps

Scan the QR code or visit: [bit.ly/2DWWpfs](http://bit.ly/2DWWpfs)



### Grade 6 apps

Scan the QR code or visit: [bit.ly/2Sf8kja](http://bit.ly/2Sf8kja)



We recommend that a \$50 iTunes card is attached to the account, to pay for the school required apps that are not free.

Cards can be purchased from local retailers such as Courts, Challenger, EpiCentre, 7-Eleven, Cheers, Harvey Norman, iStudio, Nubox or online via the Singapore iTunes store.

## INSURANCE

We strongly encourage that iPads are insured against loss or damage. You may want to check your home insurance policy to see if it covers the iPad.

## IPAD SETTINGS

- Turn on 'Find my iPad' so that the device can be tracked if lost.
- Update the device to the newest version of the software.
- Turn on 'Siri' so your child can use voice commands.
- Turn off app notifications so your child is not distracted by sounds/pop-ups during the school day. Teachers may request calendar app notifications to be turned on.
- Turn on 'Background App Refresh' to always have the most up to date version of apps.
- Turn on international keyboards for your native language and the language that your child is studying at school (French, Chinese or Spanish).
- Set a passcode lock with your child and make sure you know the code.



## iPad use at school.

**HOW WILL MY CHILD LEARN HOW TO USE THE IPAD?** Our digital literacy team will guide your child on how to use the iPad at the August bootcamp. Sessions for new students, as well as reminders, occur throughout the year.

**HOW ARE IPADS USED IN THE CLASSROOM?** Students don't use iPads all day long. We balance iPad screen time with other classroom activities and tools.

**WILL MY CHILD USE THEIR IPAD FOR HOMEWORK?** Students will be required to check their email and Google Classroom for assignments and instructions from teachers. Homework is assigned in line with the homework policy outlined in the Parent-Student Handbook.

Scan the QR code or visit:  
[www.cis.edu.sg/parent-student-handbook](http://www.cis.edu.sg/parent-student-handbook)



**SHOULD MY CHILD AND I USE THEIR IPAD AT HOME TO VIEW THEIR DIGITAL PORTFOLIO?** Yes, please encourage your child to share their learning with you. Parents can access their children's digital portfolio via their Seesaw account.

**INTERNET ACCESS AT SCHOOL** An extensive firewall that filters inappropriate sites is in place at CIS. However, as firewalls do not block everything, our digital citizenship programme focuses on appropriate online behaviour and choices.

Please set up the appropriate restrictions, ones that align to your family's values, on your child's iPad. By using the parental controls on the device, you can restrict access to online content, apps, and much more.

Scan the QR code or visit:  
[www.support.apple.com/en-sg/HT201304](http://www.support.apple.com/en-sg/HT201304)  
 to learn more.



**WHAT HAPPENS IF MY CHILD FORGETS THEIR IPAD?** Your child must bring their fully-charged iPad to school each day. There are loaner iPads available at school that your child can use if needed. However, we ask that you help your child establish a daily routine, as it is a requirement that your child brings their fully-charged iPad to school each day.



# iPad use at school.

## WHERE ARE IPADS STORED AT SCHOOL?

During class time, students keep their iPads at their desk. During recess, lunch and downtime, iPads are stored in lockable cabinets. Charging stations are located in each classroom.

## DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP

Digital citizenship is practised and modeled throughout the school year. The Acceptable Use Policy (AUP), which guides iPad use and behaviour, is reviewed and discussed at the grades 4-6 bootcamp in August. We recommend that parents also review this policy. You can view the policy at

**Acceptable Use Policy (AUP)**  
Scan the QR code or visit:  
[bit.ly/2Y8A2xv](http://bit.ly/2Y8A2xv)



**Parent-Student Handbook**  
Scan the QR code or visit:  
[www.cis.edu.sg/parent-student-handbook](http://www.cis.edu.sg/parent-student-handbook)



## DIGITAL LITERACY

Technology at CIS is integrated into classroom activities and the curriculum to provide productive and meaningful 21st century learning experiences.

Our 'One to World' programme ensures our students learn how to think critically and ethically as they harness technology in their learning, behave safely and appropriately online, identify what information is essential online, and use technology as a tool to showcase their skills and talents.



# Guidance.

## ESSENTIAL AGREEMENTS FOR STUDENTS.

- Care for your iPad. Keep it:
  - a. in its case at all times.
  - b. in the designated area in class.
  - c. away from liquids at all times.
  - d. safely stored in your backpack when travelling between home and school.
  - e. locked and password protected (share password with your parents and homeroom teacher only).
- Bring your fully charged iPad to school each day (a fully charged iPad should have an 8-10 hour battery life so it lasts the entire school day).
- Install or update all required apps (we strongly encourage only having the required educational apps on your iPad).
- Only use the iPad for school related activities at school. iPads may only leave the classroom at the request of your teacher.
- Follow the school's Acceptable Use Policy and demonstrate good digital citizenship.
- Follow your teacher's instructions regarding iPad use during class time. iPads should be put to sleep with screens down to avoid any distractions when not in use.

## WHAT KIND OF APPS WILL MY CHILD USE?

Most of the apps used provide students with different ways to demonstrate their learning or consolidate their understanding of concepts.

## HOW OFTEN WILL MY CHILD NEED TO INSTALL APPS?

Educational apps will need to be installed at the beginning of each school year. If new apps are needed, both students and parents will be advised.

## PARENT SUPPORT

We recommend that our families establish agreements and rules like the ones we have at school. Our digital literacy page on MyCIS has parenting tips and tricks to help you establish home routines to cater to your family's needs.

### Digital literacy page

Scan the QR code or visit:

<https://my.cis.edu.sg/homepage/7490>



## QUESTIONS/COMMENTS?

If you have any questions or comments, please contact us at [digital.literacy@cis.edu.sg](mailto:digital.literacy@cis.edu.sg).



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