Laptops

From Year 7 upwards all pupils are required to have a laptop-style device. The school uses cloud-based software, which works effectively on both Windows Laptops and Chromebooks, providing pupils and teachers with a stable digital teaching and learning environment, with seamless access to IT systems and digital resources. **Tablets are not appropriate classroom devices and are not permitted for use in classrooms.**

School Managed Chromebooks are used for pupils up to and including Year 5, provided by the school. Teachers distribute Chromebooks to pupils as and when lessons require it and make clear when and how these devices are to be used in lessons. **From Years 7 to 11, the school is currently in the process of migrating to the exclusive use of Microsoft Windows School Managed Laptops (SMLs).** All pupils joining Years 7 to 11 in September 2026 are therefore expected to arrive having purchased a Microsoft Windows SML through the school's contracted supplier. As well as the learning experience, this enhances safeguarding, online safety and cyber security measures for pupils. **Students joining in Year 12 may choose to purchase an SML through the school supplier or an alternative laptop-style device.** In order to purchase a School Managed Laptop, parents should contact the IT department (ict@felsted.org), who will put them in touch with the supplier.