# The Personalised Digital Learning Programme (PDLP)

**Information for Parents** 

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# The National Digital Literacy Programme (NDLP) and the PDLP

An Overview

#### The National Digital Literacy Programme (NDLP)

1. The NDLP was launched in March 2020 to help students **strengthen their digital literacy and acquire digital skills** needed to navigate an increasingly digitalised world.

2. Under the NDLP, every secondary school student will **own a school-prescribed Personal Learning Device (PLD)**. Students may use funds from their Edusave Account to pay for the PLD.

#### Intended Outcomes of the PDLP

The use of the PLD for teaching and learning aims to:



Support the Development of Digital Literacy



**Support Self-Directed and Collaborative Learning** 



**Enhance Teaching and Learning** 

## **Device and Funding Information**

#### Pasir Ris Secondary School's PLD



Intel Processor N150, 8GB RAM, 64GB Storage, 12.2" Touch Screen The school will be using the **Acer R857TN Chromebook** for teaching and learning.

Total cost of the bundle includes **4-year warranty** and **4-year insurance** with GST: **\$588.60** 

#### Benefits of the Chromebook:

- ✓ Economical
- Long battery life
- Lightweight (1.5 kg)
- ✓ Rugged Durability
- Convertible Laptop
- ✓ Antimicrobial Touch Screen
- ✓ Active Stylus Pen (built-in stylus)

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#### **PLD Bundle**

Device Bundle includes
☐ Acer R857TN Chromebook
Power Adaptor, Mouse, Active Stylus, and Carrying Case
*Students will need an earpiece with mic to be purchased separately on their own

Your child's/ward's PLD will come with the **Enhanced Device Bundle** which includes:

• 4-year warranty and 4-year insurance

Insurance Coverage	Claimable
• Fire	*2 repairs or 1 replacement
• Lightning	(3-year insurance)
Power Surges	
<ul> <li>Accidental e.g water spillage, drop etc</li> </ul>	
Theft due to forcible entry	
• Robbery	
* Accidental loss will not be covered by insurance.	

Note: The price of the PLD Bundle may appear to be higher than similar models on the retail market as the price of those devices usually does not include extended warranty and insurance coverage.

#### Funding Support for Singapore Citizen (SC) Students

- The cost of the device bundle can be paid using your child's/ward's Edusave account, after setting aside provision for payment of miscellaneous fees.
- To ensure the affordability of devices, MOE has provided Edusave top-ups from 2020 to 2023 to all eligible Singaporean students in primary and secondary schools. In 2025, MOE has provided a \$500 Edusave top-up for students aged 13-16 years old.
- These top ups are on top of the annual \$290 credited into the Edusave account for Secondary School students and \$230 for Primary School students.

#### Funding Support for Singapore Citizen (SC) Students

 For SC students who are on MOE Financial Assistance Scheme or whose family's monthly income meets the following criteria:

Gross Household Income (GHI)  $\leq$  \$4,000, or Per Capita Income (PCI)  $\leq$  \$1,000 MOE will subsidise 50% of device bundle cost or \$350, whichever is lower.

 The remaining amount will be payable from the students' Edusave account. If there is insufficient balance in the students' Edusave account for the remaining amount, MOE will provide additional subsidy so that the cash out-of-pocket (OOP) is \$0.

#### Funding Scenario: Student A (SC)



Acer R857TN (Enhanced) \$588.60

<b>Student A (SC on MOE FAS)</b> GHI ≤ \$4,000 or PCI ≤ \$1,000				
Device Bundle Cost	\$588.60			
Student Subsidy (50%)	\$294.30 (rounded up to nearest 10 cents)*			
Available Edusave Balance (After setting aside for misc fees)	\$200.00 before deduction \$200.00 will be deducted			
Additional Subsidy	\$94.30			
Cash Out-of-pocket	\$0.00			

For more details on financial assistance, please approach the school. Each student will subsequently receive a personalised bill

#### Funding Support for Singapore Citizen (SC) Students

For SC students whose family's monthly income is:

 $$4,000 < Gross Household Income (GHI) \le $5,500, or $1,000 < Per Capita Income (PCI) \le $1,375$  MOE will subsidise 30% of device bundle cost or \$200, whichever is lower.

• The remaining amount will be payable from the students' Edusave account. If there is insufficient balance in the students' Edusave account for the remaining amount, MOE will provide additional subsidy so that the cash out-of-pocket (OOP) is not more than \$50.

#### Funding Scenario: Student B (SC)



Acer R857TN (Enhanced) \$588.60

<b>Student B (Non MOE-FAS SC from lower income family)</b> \$4,000 < GHI ≤ \$5,500 or \$1,000 < PCI ≤ \$1,375				
Device Bundle Cost	\$588.60			
Student Subsidy (30%)	\$176.60 (rounded up to nearest 10 cents)			
Available Edusave Balance (After setting aside for misc fees)	\$200.00 before deduction \$200.00 will be deducted			
Additional Subsidy	\$162.00			
Cash Out-of-pocket	\$50.00			

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# Funding Support for Singapore Citizen (SC) Students

- Subsidies will not be provided for SC students whose family's monthly:
  - Gross Household Income (GHI) is above \$5,500 or
  - Per Capita Income (PCI)<sup>#</sup> is above \$1,375.
- Parents/Guardians can use their child's/ward's Edusave or cash to defray the device bundle cost.

\*PCI is Gross Household Income divided by the number of household members.

### What's Next?

#### **Parental Consent for Procurement**

- 1. Parents can access the **Parental Consent for the Purchase of Personal Learning Device (PLD)** via a Parents Gateway (PG) notification\* that will be sent to you on **22 December 2025**.
- 2. Parents who want to use Edusave funds for the PLD (for Singapore Citizens students only), please submit the online Standing Order Form via this link: <a href="https://go.gov.sg/edusaveformsgso">https://go.gov.sg/edusaveformsgso</a> by 5 January 2026 to set up a PDLP Standing Order as this was not applicable during primary school.

<sup>\*</sup> Parents/Guardians without access to PG can request for the hardcopy letter via your child's/ward's form teacher.

#### **PLD Procurement**

Time Frame	Activity
22 December 2025 – 5 January 2026	<ol> <li>Submit:         <ul> <li>consent to PLD purchase via in the PG notification which includes the following:</li></ul></li></ol>
Upon receiving School Bill	Parent/Guardian to make payment via Giro/PayNow (where necessary if <u>not</u> using Edusave)
Before end-Term 1 (TBC)	<ul> <li>Collection of devices by students</li> <li>Parents to indicate choice of after-school DMA settings</li> </ul>

#### **Collection of Devices**

Your child/ward will be collecting his/her device in school **before the end of Term 1.** The exact date will be communicated once confirmed.

If you would like to personally/have another adult to verify the condition of the device during collection with your child/ward:

- You may collect the device personally or appoint an adult proxy to do so at the vendor's service/collection centre\*
- Your child/ward would need to bring the device to school and arrange for the school's IT department to install the DMA.

Please approach the school for further advice or clarification if you would like to make this arrangement.

<sup>\*</sup>Parents/Guardians (or adult proxy) will **not** be able to collect the PLD from the school.

#### **Important Contacts / Helplines**

To access / find out more about	Contact / Helpline
Edusave balance	6260 0777
Financial assistance (via School General Office)	6501 0800
<ul> <li>School ICT Helpdesk</li> <li>Troubleshooting of device issues</li> <li>Solve connectivity issues</li> <li>Collection of devices to be sent for repairs</li> </ul>	6501 0891

# **FAQs**

#### Frequently Asked Question #1

"Can my child use an existing portable computing device (e.g. Windows laptop, Apple iPad, etc.) at home as his/her PLD?"

The school-prescribed PLD in PRSS is the **Chromebook**.

Laptops or tablets <u>not</u> operating on the Chrome O.S. will not be allowed.

Students and parents without an existing Chromebook are strongly encouraged to purchase the PLD through the school-facilitated PLD procurement.

#### Frequently Asked Question #2

"Is there free Wi-Fi for students to connect their other personal gadgets and handphones in school?"

Yes, students may use the school Wi-Fi for their personal devices.

The PLD (Chromebook) will be connected automatically while other devices will require a user login and password.

The details for the login will be shared with students during the Sec 1 Orientation.