In 2013 and beyond all classes in grade 3 and 4 will be 1:1 notebook grades. This decision is based upon:

- The current and future learning needs of our students
- The learning achievements of our 2012 trial grade

This initiative has been endorsed by Dorset Primary School Council which is comprised of both parents and teachers.

This program is now an essential and integral part of teaching and learning in the grade 3/4 area at Dorset Primary School.

I understand that the total cost of this program will be $660 to be paid in lease instalments over the course of 2013. These payments will be made in three instalments of $220. No further lease payments will be required in 2014, 2015 and 2016.

I understand that I will be offered additional warranty, upgrades and insurance coverage that will attract extra cost. These costs are optional and will be outlined in the attached contract.

Attached is a contract that must be signed and returned to the Dorset Primary School Office by Friday the 14th of December.

Student’s Name:________________________________________

Grade:____________________

Parent
Name____________________________________Parent Signature________________________

Date______________
**Notebook Specifics.**

**Lenovo ThinkPad X230**

The Lenovo ThinkPad X230 is the Notebook we have identified as the most suitable notebook for the 2013 and beyond at Dorset Primary School. This item is classified as a ‘notebook’, rather than a ‘netbook’ because it is larger in chassis / screen size and more rigid than typical notebooks. The notebook will come with a rigid honeycomb carrycase which is valued at $25. This case has been used in 2012 and we have found it to be sturdy, practical and resilient.

**The Lenovo X230 and case will cost each student / family $660 to lease. This lease amount does not attract GST because the notebook is purchased by the school.**

There are no other mandatory costs associated with this program.

These notebooks have proven to have worked well with Department of Education networks and software, and have proven to be a reliable notebook for local partner schools. The X230 is recommended by the Department of Education.

The 2012 Trial Notebook Program implemented Lenovo X220 notebooks and found them to work effectively with all Dorset software and networks. The X230 is a similar, but updated notebook.

We have also chosen this notebook because it contains an i3 processor and other more up to date features than its competitors. The x230 is also good value for what it includes and due to being purchased through Education Department suppliers is well below the Lenovo recommended retail.

We know that some notebooks can be purchased for less than this, but these cheaper machines will not work as effectively over the 4 year life of the program. The Lenovo X230 will require minimal tech support / maintenance compared to the cheaper machines. Listed below are the features of the X230.

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Any specific questions relating to the ThinkPad X230 should be directed towards Kursten Tan, Paul Garwood, Michael Jenkins or Justin Mackay.