

## Tytherington School Chromebook Programme

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Spurred on by the needs of home-learning during the lock-downs of the pandemic, we have linked with Freedom Technology in the 2019/20 and subsequent academic years to offer the opportunity of purchasing Chromebooks with a three-year guaranteed repair service which provides a free of charge repair or replacement for any damaged, faulty or stolen device. Offering our students the opportunity to work with our FireFly and Microsoft 365 Teams platforms on a device with a larger screen than a mobile phone.

### THE EQUIPMENT ON OFFER

We have selected the Lenovo 300e Chromebook which is best suited to enhance the learning experience of our students at Tytherington School. This Chromebook is specifically designed for student use with a rugged outer casing.

The 11.6" Lenovo 300e Chromebook (3rd Gen) offers the versatility of a 360-degree hinge and 10-point multitouch technology. This device bends into four different modes to offer customised ways to plan, teach, learn, and engage. And students can interact with the screen the way they're used to interacting with most devices—through touch.

Each Chromebook is also supplied with a 3 year extended warranty and 3 year protection for accidental damage and theft with £0 excess giving complete peace of mind.

### WHY CHROMEBOOKS?

Chromebooks are extremely secure, easy to use and facilitate both independent study and online collaboration. Through the use of Google Apps for Education & Office 365 we can further improve student engagement, and open the door to learning.

The Chromebooks with the Management Console ensure that all students are able to access all of the same resources and applications, wherever they are in the world and enable teachers to deliver the curriculum in the most exciting and engaging way.



## Climate Action

For every laptop Freedom Tech will plant 5 Trees in partnership with Ecologi.

### THE BENEFITS OF CHROMEBOOKS

- Less than 8 seconds to boot up
- Long battery life & Unlimited file storage
- Simple technology
- Easy student-teacher workflow in a safe environment
- Excellent collaboration tools
- Works seamlessly with Google & Office 365
- Chrome Management Console for eSafety

### WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- Chromebook – Ruggedised and designed for students
- Chrome Management License
- 3 Yr Extended Warranty - £0 excess
- 3 Yr Accidental Damage & Theft Protection - £0 excess
- Google Classroom & Apps for Education

### HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

Prices start from £12.89 per month over 36 months including all of the items above. Parents/guardians can opt to pay via monthly direct debit up to 36 months or a one-off payment through the ordering portal. There are no credit checks, and it is open to all students.

We are, of course, able to provide some financial support to the parents/guardians of students that are in receipt of the Pupil Premium.

- Pupil Premium and presently in receipt of Free School Meals – 40% of the cost will be paid by Tytherington School
- Pupil Premium and not presently in receipt of Free School Meals – 30% of the cost will be paid by Tytherington School

If you are a parent/guardian of a student in receipt of the Pupil Premium, and would like access to the above subsidies, please email [apilbury@tytheringtonschool.co.uk](mailto:apilbury@tytheringtonschool.co.uk) and we will check our records and send you the appropriate link for ordering with the subsidy.

We recognise that, at this time, there may be others that are facing financial hardship. Therefore, please get in touch if you require support.

### HOW DO I PLACE MY ORDER?

**\*\* You must choose the year group that your child will be in from September 2023 \*\***

Go to: [www.tech4learners.co.uk](http://www.tech4learners.co.uk)

Username: Tytherington23

Password: S3cure02!

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For Further Questions please see our FAQ section at [www.freedomtech.co.uk/faq](http://www.freedomtech.co.uk/faq)

## **Lenovo 300e Flip & Touchscreen 3<sup>rd</sup> Gen Chromebook**



**From ONLY £12.89 per month**  
Payable over 36 months  
(other payment terms are available)

### **Price Includes:**

- 3Yr Extended warranty
- 3Yr Guaranteed Advanced Repair Service (£0 Excess)
- Device Set-up & Delivery to School
- School Software, Applications, Network Access
- Chrome Management Console

### **Specification:**

- AMD 3000 Processor
- 11.6" HD Touchscreen Display (Corning Gorilla Glass)
- 4GB Memory
- 32GB SSD
- Dual Band Wireless-AC
- Rugged Design
- Spill-resistant keyboard with mechanically anchored keys
- USB-C AC Power
- USB 3.0, HDMI, SD Card Reader, Kensington lock Slot, Mic/Audio jack
- Dual Band Wireless-AC & Bluetooth 4.2

# Frequently Asked Questions

## How long can I spread the payments over?

12, 24 or 36 months depending on how long your child has left at the school. For all Year Groups, you can make a single up-front payment if you prefer not to spread the cost.

If you have a child going into Year 7, 8 or 9 you can choose to spread the payments over 12, 24 or 36 months. For a child going into Year 10 or 12, you can choose to spread the payments over 12 or 24 months. For a child going into Year 11 and 13, you can spread the payments over 12 months.

## Is there any financial assistance available?

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## What happens at the end of the agreement?

On your final payment the device becomes yours. If paying upfront, then the Chromebook is yours from day one.

## Will there be any credit checks?

No, everyone is approved and there are no credit checks.

## What is the excess on claims?

There is no excess on the accidental damage, theft or warranty protection. This is a huge benefit of the programme.

## How do I claim for warranty, accidental damage or theft?

Please visit/take your device into the school IT department who will raise a claim with our repair centre and issue you a temporary loan device.

## Can students use the device at home?

Yes, the student can use the device to further enhance their learning and we recommend that you set your security setting on your Wi-Fi accordingly.

## When will I receive the device?

The ordering window is open. Orders need to be placed by the 10<sup>th</sup> July. Your first direct debit will be collected on the 25<sup>th</sup> July. Delivery is planned for August with handout by the school to Parents/Students at the start of the Autumn Term. (September 2023)

## What happens if I can no longer afford the device, or my child leaves the school?

If you can no longer afford your device, you must return it to the school. If your child leaves the school, you can pay the outstanding payments to take ownership, alternatively you can return the device to the school. You will not own the device until the final payment is made.

## Are Chromebooks secure?

Yes. Chromebooks are designed with multiple layers of security to keep them safe from viruses and malware without any additional security software. A full 10% of boot time is dedicated to re-verifying that the device has not been tampered with, so every time you power on a Chromebook, your security is checked. Google also adheres to all data policies including GDPR and does not share data with any third parties.

## Do the Chromebooks come with a sleeve or bump-case?

No, they don't, but they are specifically designed for education and student use. The Lenovo 300e is engineered for durability, with rubber bumpers, reinforced ports and hinges, and mechanically anchored keys. It's even drop-resistant up to 29.5 inches (75cm), roughly the height of a school desk. Parents/carers are welcome to buy a case separately if they wish to but they are designed to fit straight into a school bag.

## If there are future opportunities available to sign up for Chromebooks, will the cost and terms & conditions remain the same?

It is extremely unlikely that the cost will differ by anything more than a small amount, but this will be dictated by any changes in manufacturing costs and we can't guarantee that the price won't change. The terms and conditions will remain the same.

## I don't have wifi at home (or intermittent wifi) – if I was to buy a dongle or SIM card at a later date to use with the Chromebook, would it work?

Both models will work with a USB Dongle or tethering device (such as a 'hotspot') but do not have a SIM card slot. It is possible to work offline on the Chromebooks but quite a lot is reliant upon being online, so please consider this before signing up.

## Does the software on the Chromebooks differ according to a child's year group?

No it doesn't, although the Chromebooks benefit from similar security protections as those in school so age-restrictions may still apply on certain sites or applications that will be applied by the school.

## Who should I contact at school if I have any questions?

Mr Pilbury [apilbury@tytheringtonschool.co.uk](mailto:apilbury@tytheringtonschool.co.uk) is the best person to start with. He will do his best to answer queries as soon as possible.

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