

## Technology Information 2021-22

(Student Computers, Wireless Access, E-Mail, Technology Assistance)

Dell is our recommended computer manufacturer, although of course we can accommodate other brands. Our recommended configuration is Windows 10, 8-16GB of RAM and a wireless AC card. Macintosh computers can also access our network; the recommended configuration is OS 11 or greater.

All Houses are equipped with the latest AC wireless access points allowing students to access the Internet. The Information Systems department will assist in connecting all student laptops and desktops to the wireless network.

A Microsoft Office 365 account will be provided during your child's enrollment at Portsmouth Abbey. They will use this for email as well as Word, Excel etc. They can access the Microsoft Office 365 suite at <u>https://www.office.com</u> All Windows, Mac and Office updates should be applied to address security vulnerabilities. Computers accessing the Abbey network are required to have Virus Protection Software with an updated renewable subscription. Microsoft Security Essentials is an excellent virus suite and is available for free at <u>https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/download/details.aspx?id=5201</u>

Students will be issued an e-mail account which can be accessed through the Internet at <u>http://mail.portsmouthabbey.org</u> or through a mail link on the Portsmouth Abbey website (<u>http://www.portsmouthabbey.org</u>) Students may also find it helpful to have an 8GB or larger USB flash drive for document storage and portability. We recommend the Sandisk Cruzer model.

Please contact the Information Systems Director, Victor Pacheco, for any additional questions at <u>vpacheco@portsmouthabbey.org</u>.