# Chalk Ridge - IT Meeting 09.11.2018

Present: Richard Lyddy, David Downie (Governor)

Notes from the meeting to determine the state of play at present, what is needed now and in the future.

**E-Safety:** The online safety policy for KS2 has been updated.

**Curriculum:** Cross curriculum links are going to be identified to make more use of computing.

**IPad:** A usage review is to take place by Mr. Lyddy, to identify if they are being fully utilised and not just used for searching the Internet. Mr. Lyddy is going to introduce app of the month

**Budget:**

The remaining budget for the IT department was reallocated by the resource committee to assist in the payment of the two extra LSA’s required by the school.

**Equipment and Software required:**

Classroom interactive boards are still required 10 in total with Year 1 being the priority.

I pads, six are currently required to support the SEN pupils.

Laptops, Staff (14) Students (30), the current OS (operating system) is Windows 7, Terry is going to enquire when this software will no longer be supported by Microsoft, with the view that there may be an upgrade to Windows 10 to support apps suitable for education.

Desktop PC’s, it would seen that All desk tops in the school that the pupils use are obsolete, the OS currently used is XP. The PC’s hardware of a level that will not support an OS upgrade. It may be possible to install an SSD (solid state drive) that will hold the Windows 10 OS in the current machine, we will speak to Terry regarding this.

**Going forward**: with the budget being parked for the rest of the year it was discussed that fund raising could help the IT situation. We have proposed to have the Governors and PTA look at combined fund raising, we plan to identify companies that may be in a position to assist albeit not financially but possibly physically. There may also be a chance to approach Apple for assistance.

**Any other business**

**STEM:** I will be forwarding the contact details for the local Hampshire representative to Mr. Lyddy, with the view to start using Stem and their resources more often.

We discussed the possibility to have a Stem day supporting YR5 science at the end of the spring term, Mr. Lyddy to confirm.