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Dear New ISF Parents/Guardians:

Welcome to the ISF family! We are very excited to meet you and your child/ren. In having enrolled your child/ren at ISF, you have chosen a school that has a long-standing tradition of academic excellence and a reputation for helping students develop a solid foundation of knowledge and skills, a love of lifelong learning, and the ability to adapt to and lead change. The school also has a reputation for using the latest technology to enhance the learning process and achieve the best outcomes. E-books are one of the educational technologies used by students at ISF.

**E-books are used by all ISF students in grades 5-10.** ISF 5<sup>th</sup> graders receive a printed copy of their books (textbooks and workbooks) as well as an E-version of their textbooks. This helps them adapt to learning via E-Books. ISF students in grades 6-10 use E-textbooks exclusively and receive printed workbooks in which they can complete practice exercises and homework. Some homework assignments are completed in students' copybooks or on the computer, if they so choose.

Parents of students in grades 5-10 are required to purchase an Android™ tablet and send it to school with their child on the first day of school. **(ISF students in grades 1-4 do not require a tablet for school.)**

During the first week of school, the E-books will be downloaded onto each student's tablet, which will then be used exclusively to access the E-books. **The tablet must be an Android™ device with the following specifications:**

**Tablet Specifications:**

SPECIFICATIONS	RECOMMENDED
<b>Operating System</b>	Android™ Version 14.0 or above
<b>Internal Storage</b>	64 GB or above
<b>Processor</b>	8 Core or above
<b>Memory (RAM)</b>	4 GB or above
<b>Screen Size (diagonal)</b>	10.1 inches or above
<b>Resolution</b>	1920 x 1080 or above
<b>SD Card Supported</b>	Required
<b>Stylus</b>	Preferred

**Important Notes for the 2025-26 School Year:**

- SABIS® applications, including E-Books, are only supported on tablets running Android™ operating systems.
- Tablets not meeting the recommended technical specifications may experience slower and/or inconsistent performance while accessing SABIS® tools and products. This includes an inability to access E-Books while in class and to take and save notes in the E-Book.

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- Tablets with the recommended technical specifications are expected to be compatible for up to 3 years. After that, a replacement will be necessary.

Non-Android™ tablets and laptops of any sort cannot run the full features of the E-Books and, therefore, limit the students' interaction and experience with the content. **For that reason, non-Android™ tablets or laptops of any sort are not allowed. Teachers will be checking tablets in the first week of the new school year and students who do not have a compatible tablet will need to purchase one.**

Please also note that we recommend purchasing (1) a tablet without a SIM card port, (2) a cover for the tablet, and (3) a power bank with a minimum capacity of 12,000 mAh, and a USB cable in order to recharge the tablet at school.

Parents of grade 6-10 students who require printed textbooks for medical reasons will be asked to send a doctor-signed medical note to the Academic Coordinator responsible for their child's grade level in the first week of school. In these cases, a set of printed textbooks will be provided.

Please note that ISF students in grades 3 and 4 do not use E-Books in school; however, E-Books will be available for parents who prefer their child/ren to use this format to study from at home.

Should you have any questions about E-Books, please feel free to contact the school by sending an E-mail to [sdp@isf.sabis.net](mailto:sdp@isf.sabis.net).

We look forward to meeting you and your family when the school year starts!

Best regards,

The ISF Administration