

TECHNOLOGY AT FEE

For new families and those returning to FEE this year, it is an exciting time for students and staff alike. We currently have 2 Smartboards in the school. One is a portable unit and the other is a fixed unit in the library. Activities and lessons are now interactive and exciting for all participants. Last year we started with a couple staff members interested in using these devices and this year more and more staff are asking for lessons on setup and use so that their students can learn using these fun interactive tools. They are more than a white board projection screen, class brainstorm sessions can be saved and printed as notes for the entire classroom. Primary students can practice their printing or handwriting with NO chalkdust. We look forward to demonstrating these items for you in the near future.

In addition we are continuing with the use of Premier Tools in the classroom. This program has the capability to read webpages, documents and the students own typing back to them. For this reason please ensure that your child has brought a set of headphones to school in a labelled ziploc bag. Check out our website for download instructions to get this product at home for your XP and Vista based systems. Programs from our network server and the internet are both auditory and visually based so hearing it and seeing it makes the learning fun.

Mr. Twocock will soon be starting the technology/computer club for Junior and Intermediate students to join. As a member students will be exploring programs and producing work that can assist classroom teachers and the student body during assemblies as well as promoting our Character In Action traits.