

How do you support staff development?

Providing professional development for teachers is so important to make iPad work in your school. And we do that in a range of different ways. First of all, just staff meetings. So we aim to have some kind of it or computing staff meeting once a term. Perhaps it's a refresher, perhaps is going over some coding apps.

Perhaps it's showing how these apps can be used in a new way in different subjects. And so that really depends on where the teachers are at that moment. We make sure that part of our induction programme for new teachers. There's an element that trains them on how to use the iPads.

But we're also an Apple Regional Training Centre. So we offer free iPad courses to the community, and our own teachers are available to come on that and learn how to use the devices. And as well, there's things like Apple Teacher. So it's free online training that Apple offers. So you log on to the Apple Teacher website and you can learn about the core apps, earn some badges, and get yourself the Apple Teacher status.

But we found that's a great way to train our teachers and our support staff so that they've got that baseline of confidence in using Apple technology.