

Dear Parents/Guardians

For Year 9 Mathematics your child will require a TI-Nspire CX CAS calculator. This calculator is an essential tool in Mathematics and will be used in **all** Year 9 to Year 12 mathematical subjects. On Monday 27 November 2017, Year 8 students will start the Year 9 course, therefore, your son/daughter will need a TI-Nspire CX CAS calculator by that date.

The TI-Nspire CX CAS calculator is available from Campion for \$249. Alternatively, Haines Educational are selling them to Kilvington students for \$205. You also receive a free calculator wallet, a 3-year warranty and free delivery. The other advantage of purchasing from Haines is that Kilvington can receive complimentary products through their volume purchase program, especially if they are purchased by 31 December.

The TI-Nspire CX CAS calculator only has a rechargeable battery, so you will also need to buy a USB power adaptor, which Haines is selling to Kilvington students for \$5.50.

Please note that an iPad app cannot be used in place of this calculator because the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority (VCAA) only permit handheld calculators in VCE examinations. We start using CAS calculators in Year 9 so the students become familiar with many of the calculator's functions, and to spread the cost of the calculator over four years.

Please make sure your child's TI-Nspire CX CAS calculator is clearly named and fully charged by Monday 27 November.

To purchase from Haines, follow the steps below:

- Go to www.schoolcalcs.com.au and enter the code kgs.
- 2. Select your required calculator bundle, enter your student's details and delivery address, and pay by VISA or MasterCard.
- 3. The calculator will be delivered to your given address within two weeks of placing your order.

If you have any other queries regarding the calculator, then please contact Katarina from Haines on 8736 6000, or Helen Cole on 9578 6231 or coleh@kilvington.vic.edu.au.

Yours sincerely

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