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Students in Year 8, as part of their learning, will use the below listed applications which can be downloaded to their iPad via the App Store.

To ensure optimum functionality, the latest version of iPadOS is recommended. Please turn on the automatic software update function via the settings menu. Sizes are correct as of 26/11/25 and are subject to change without notice.

Core Apps for all students				
Icon	**App**	**Curriculum link**	**Cost**	**File size (MB)**
Teaching and Learning				
	Inspiration Maps VPP	Visual learning tool to organise/represent thinking	$14.99	275.9 MB
	Notability	Organisation – note taking, annotate documents, sketch ideas and flowcharts	Free (Log in details provided at school – please do not download until instructed by teacher)	363.1 MB
	Padlet	Collaboration tool for learning	Free	156.4 MB
	Canvas (For QLearn)	Departmental Learning Management System – Resources	Free	130.6 MB
	Showbie	Feedback – students submit work and teachers provide rich feedback by adding annotations, text notes and voice notes directly onto documents	Free	144.9 MB
	Socrative Student	Checking for understanding and formative assessment	Free	7.8 MB
	Classroom	Teacher assistant tool to ensure student focus on learning	Free	24.8 MB
	Smiling Mind: Mental Wellbeing	Health and wellbeing program designed by psychologists with expertise in youth and adolescent therapy	Free	46.6 MB

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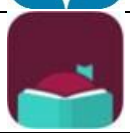
Productivity				
	iMovie	Media production	Free	692 MB
	Keynote	Presentation	Free	541.5 MB
	Microsoft Excel	Program for collection and analysis of data sets	Free	410.3 MB
	Numbers	Spreadsheets	Free	550.8 MB
	Pages	Word processing	Free	479.6 MB
	Microsoft PowerPoint	Presentation	Free	432.9 MB
	Microsoft Word	Word processing	Free	509.4 MB
Functionality				
	Box of Books Reader	Textbooks and online learning platform	Free	123.5 MB
	Microsoft SharePoint	Access to BSHS StudentNet for notices, calendars and school resources	Free	79.8 MB
Library and Research				
	ClickView	Access to videos through school library	Free	31.5 MB
	ePlatform Digital Libraries	Access to eBooks and audiobooks through the school library	Free	46.8 MB
	Libby, the library app	Access to local and State library eBooks and audiobooks	Free	12 MB
			Total	**4.95GB**

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Students only need to download the following apps if studying the specific subject.

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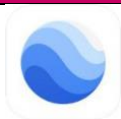
Humanities (including Aspire)				
	Google Earth	Navigation and tour creation	Free	157.3 MB
	Google Maps	Navigation	Free	416.6 MB
	JigSpace	Interactive and immersive 3D augmented reality app for learning	Free	405.5 MB
English (including Extension)				
	Digital Theatre	Collection of high-quality theatre productions to support in-class learning	Free	69 MB
Mathematics (Including Aspire)				
	GeoGebra Graphing Calculator	Maths calculator for graphing equations, investigating equations, and plotting data	Free	110.4 MB
	Desmos Graphing Calculator	Plot functions, create graphs and tables in maths	Free	21.3 MB

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Music				
	Flat: Music Score & Tab Editor	Music notation app to create and compose music	Free	222.5 MB
Media Arts & Visual Art				
	Adobe Photoshop	Image editing, retouching and effects	Free (Log in details provided at school – please do not download until instructed by teacher)	544.6 MB
Media Arts				
	CapCut – Video Editor	Video editing software	Free	729.9 MB
	FlipaClip: Cartoon Animation	Stop motion cartoon animation	Free *(Optional: $9.99 'Premium Features Bundle' to access advanced video editing and audio features)*	214.9 MB
Engineering				
	Spike LEGO® Education	Command app for Spike LEGO Education to facilitate engaging hands-on STEAM learning	Free	237.8 MB
Design				
	Home Planner – AI Room Design	Interior decorating and design tool	Free	1.3 GB
All HPE				
	CapCut – Video Editor	Video editing software.	Free	729.9 MB

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Italian, German, French and Spanish				
	WordReference Dictionary	Dictionary for languages	Free	9.6 MB
Chinese				
	Pleco Chinese Dictionary	Chinese dictionary including handwriting and flashcards	Free	118.4 MB
Japanese				
	Kana Bimoji	Handwriting in Japanese	Free	51.5 MB
Extra-Curricular				
	Stack Team App	Team App allows team managers to create and manage notifications to their players *(this app is used by a select number of teams; talk to your team manager before downloading)*	Free	113.5 MB