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Dear Mrs. de Jongh:

As you advised, I am resending Heather's letter and attaching our "Wish List" as to our needs to move into the world of technology. The timing is perfect as two new teachers have been hired for the next year with considerable skills in the field of technology. We took great care in compiling our list.

We know we are asking for a lot, but in truth, many of our students don't have access to computers or the internet at home which hinders their education. This would be a giant step forward for them and for The Kingshill School.

The laptops and Kindles will belong to the school and the students will be asked to sign a responsibility pledge to take care of them. We will periodically inspect the laptops and Kindles to ensure they are in working condition and being cared for properly.

Our list of needs:

- 32 student laptops with wireless capabilities
- 6 teacher laptops with wireless capabilities
- 38 computer cases
- Wireless capability (Linksys?) for the school. Most likely only one router needed.
- 40 Kindles with cases
- 1 - 5 wireless color printers/fax/scanners that all computers could access
- Printer ink
- Printer paper
- Microsoft Office for Students
- software that enables power point presentations
- software for graphic design ("PrintShop" -type)
- 2 large flat screens that can be plugged into teacher computers (for large group viewing)
- 1 audio-visual cart on wheels (for storage and easy access to rooms)
- 1 Smart Board

Thanking you for your attention and concern--

Sincerely,


Janie Koopmans
Director

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Dear Mrs. de Jongh,

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Wendy Garcia

On behalf of the Kingshill School, I'd like to thank you for allowing me and my three class mates in Ms. Bonnie Anderson's journalism class to interview you on February 12th. We understand how valuable your time is and appreciate the opportunity. We enjoyed getting to know about your interests, accomplishments and beliefs.

Bonnie Anderson

Eric Jacobs

Liza Schierloh

We have become very interested in your suggestion for small schools like Kingshill to strive for the use of Kindles and computers. During the last 13 years, Miss Janie and the rest of our faculty have been treading water in their attempts to get working computers for all Kingshill's students. We do have some laptops but only three or four of them are in usable condition. A few students have access to computers at home but almost all of those are lacking some kind of necessity such as Microsoft Word or internet connection. I believe that we students would learn more needed computer skills if we had up and running ones in school. This letter would have gotten to you much earlier had it not been for my own netbook's technical hiccups!

Your idea of Kingshill possibly being the first school in the territory to replace cumbersome text books with light, portable Kindles is wonderful. For our students that have not only learning disabilities such as ADD and ADHD but physical disabilities, carting around heavy book bags can be a challenge. Sometimes help is needed or they lag behind other class mates relocating from one class to the other. If all of their information were put onto one small device, maybe transitions would be simpler and easier.

The Kingshill School would very much appreciate it if you assisted us in reaching these goals. I'd like to respectfully remind you of the hurried commitment you made to help us in any way you can during our brief interview a few weeks ago. We would like to follow through on that offer. If we all work together, Kingshill School would be able to help more learning disabled students excel in their studies.

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