Education can’t wait for supply chains to catch up.

This year, rising component costs and memory shortages (dubbed ‘RAMageddon’ by some in the UK) have made hardware procurement of new desktop and laptop devices a potential challenge for schools and colleges.

The solution is to refresh and update existing hardware where possible, rather than to replace it. ChromeOS Flex allows you to breathe new life into your existing fleet of PCs and Macs. By replacing aging Operating Systems with cloud-first ChromeOS, you can transform legacy hardware into fast, modern devices quickly and affordably.

Why ChromeOS Flex?
♻️ Sustainability: By extending the life of your current hardware, you’ll significantly reduce e-waste and making a sustainable choice for your institution’s carbon footprint.
🛡️ Proactive Security: ChromeOS Flex features built-in protection and sandboxing to keep student data safe from malware and ransomware.
⚡ Modern Speed: It turns slow machines into fast-booting powerhouses.

ChromeOS Flex is free, but managing a fleet across a campus requires professional oversight. To ensure your devices are safely managed, filtered, and monitored within your institution’s ecosystem, we recommend the Chrome Education Upgrade. This license lasts for the lifetime of the device, allowing IT admins to centrally manage and apply policies to thousands of devices from the Google Admin console dashboard.

Three Steps to repurpose your older, slow devices:

1. Make the most of the tech you already own. Fill out the form here to claim your school’s free Flex kit- one kit can be used to flex hundreds of devices

2. Join the Google UK team and UK school IT Leaders to hear about how to leverage ChromeOS Flex in a summer special live webinar on July 2nd at 11am-11.45am.

3. Answers to common questions about ChromeOS Flex can be found on this page.