

Marvell Confirms OLPC Tablet For First Half Of 2012

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A spokesperson for Marvell Technologies has confirmed that the OLPC tablet, which is known as the XO-3, will be available in the first half of 2012.

Speaking to ITProPortal.com, Reuben Caron said that the device would move away from the current VIA Nano processor architecture to adopt a Marvell system-on-chip, the Armada 610. Swapping the x86-based Nano to the Marvell ARM-based architecture, will cut power consumption to around 1W during use.

The move to the tablet format is motivated by the fact that significant savings will be made by cutting the amount of raw material used.

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