What is a Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) scheme?

Students are required to provide their own laptop device for usage at school. The school will provide access to the internet, printing services and shared network drives as well as required software to support teaching and learning.

One of the rationales for the BYOD scheme is that students will be comfortable using a device that they “own” and manage themselves. They should be familiar with how it works and the software installed on the device.

What sort of Device can my child bring?

Your child can bring a Windows or Apple Device that meets the following specifications. (Note: Android and Chromebooks devices are not supported and iPads are not recommended as a primary device. Also Windows RT Devices are not supported.)

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<tr>
<th>Min Operating System</th>
<th>Windows7  Windows 8.1  Windows 10</th>
<th>OS X 10.11  El Capitan or macOS 10.12 Sierra</th>
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<tr>
<td>Min Screen Size</td>
<td>11&quot;</td>
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<tr>
<td>Min RAM</td>
<td>4GB</td>
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<td>Hard Drive</td>
<td>128 Gb Hard drive or 128Gb SSD minimum (512Gb recommended)</td>
<td>Mac devices and applications are update dependant. Provided the Mac is capable of running the latest Mac updates it will be compatible</td>
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<td>Wireless Connectivity</td>
<td>Dual Band 802.11n Wi-Fi IEEE 802.11b/g/n compatible</td>
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<td>Minimum Battery Life</td>
<td>6hours</td>
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<td>Suggested Accessories</td>
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Security of devices

The security of the device remains the responsibility of the student. To assist with this, the school provides lockers for all students, however, maintaining a vigilant disposition towards the device is still important.

Keeping the device with the student at all times is vital when not locked away and leaving the device overnight in a locker is not permitted.

Is there a cost?

A connectivity and licensing fee of $35 is payable to connect devices to the school network.

Existing Laptop Program

Year 11 and 12 students in 2017
Will still be able rent a school device at a cost of $170 for the year or can choose to bring their own.

Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 students in 2017
Students are to bring their own device.

How do I sign up for BYOD?

Parents and families who choose to participate in the BYOD scheme should read and understand the policies and procedures outlined in the BYOD Laptop Charter.

They should then sign the BYOD Student Participation and Connectivity Request and return with payment ($35) to the School Cashier.

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