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Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Stage 3 - 2017

Dear Year 5 and 6 Parents and Carers

Next year we will continue the 'Bring Your Own Device' (BYOD) program in all of Stage 3. Both parents and students have been impressed with the program and the possibilities for collaboration and redefining learning that this program offers.

All of our Year 5 and 6 students are invited to participate in the BYOD program, which will commence on Monday 6 February (Week 3). It is recommended that students bring an iPad to school from Monday – Friday and that their device is clearly labelled with their name and class. Students will keep their device in their school bag each morning and then log the device with their class teacher upon arrival in the classroom where they will be stored securely during the day. All student devices will be signed in and out by the class teacher at the beginning and end of each day.

From our research and observation of the BYOD program last year, our preference is that all students use a consistent device, that being iPads. By using the one platform, we can ensure that the applications are consistent, and it is easier for teachers to manage technical issues and for students to collaborate and share their work. If you prefer to use another form of technology such as a tablet, students are certainly welcome to bring that device to school. However, please understand students will not be able to take part in some activities due to some constructive apps being only available for Apple products. Students who are unable to bring a device to school will have access to school iPads however, we cannot guarantee that students will always have the same device to use and save their work to.

Attached is a list of the recommended apps that we ask you to download to your device.

Please contact us if you have any questions and we look forward to the endless opportunities this program will provide.














Kind regards

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Recommended Device Specifications and Apps List for 2017

<p>Form Factor</p> <p>iOS version 10.2+</p>	<p>Over the past 2 years we have found that older versions of the iPads have become obsolete as they don't allow the current version of operating system and the latest apps to run.</p> <p>We suggest either the latest iPad mini 4 or iPad air 2</p> <p>The current iPad mini 2 does support existing apps but it is an older generation than the mini 4.</p> <p>All current iPads have 32GB as their minimum.</p>				
<p>Wireless Compatibility (Wi-Fi)</p>	<p>iPad has built in Wi-Fi (and will connect to the school Wi-Fi, to ensure DoE restrictions apply).</p>				
<p>Education Software/Apps:</p>	<p>Please ensure that these are installed on your child's device. Where possible, please pay for the <u>full version</u> of the app.</p>				
<p>SeeSaw</p> 	<p>Google Apps Docs, Drive, Slides, Sheets, Calendar, Gmail</p> 	<p>Book Creator</p> 	<p>Mathletics</p> 	<p>Showbie</p> 	
<p>Tellagami</p> 	<p>QR Reader</p> 	<p>Puppet Pals</p> 	<p>Garageband</p> 	<p>Popplet</p> 	
<p>Show Me</p> 	<p>Canva</p> 	<p>iMovie</p> 	<p>Veescape</p> 	<p>WiFi Photo</p> 	
<p>Additional Recommendations</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carry case or skin to protect the device. Casing that is tough and sturdy and has your name and class clearly marked • Bag or padded pencil case to transport • Theft Recovery (Find iPhone App) • Headphones 				