



📄 Online Form - Bring Your Own Device Student Agreement (Yrs 5 & 6)

Activity Name:	Bring Your Own Device Student Agreement (Yrs 5 & 6)
Description:	<p>We confirm students in Stage 3 (Years 5 & 6) are required to bring a device this year. In this regard, students and parents are required to read the attached 'Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Student Agreement' and provide acknowledgement below.</p> <p>Please also see attached details on the BYOD Program.</p>

* indicates a required field

Student Name:

Parent/Carer Name: *

Parent/Carer Phone Number: *

We have read (parent and student) the attached Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Student Agreement and agree as follows: *

- Student - as a student I understand and will abide by the BYOD Student Agreement. I further understand that any violation may result in the loss of my network and/or device privileges as well as other disciplinary action.
- Parent - as a parent I understand that my child will be responsible for abiding by the BYOD Student Agreement conditions. I have read and discussed the agreement with my child and they understand their responsibilities they have in the use of their personal devices both at school and travelling to and from school. I understand my responsibilities as the parent/carers in regard to Section 4.2 of the Department of Education, Student Use of Digital Devices and Online Services Policy (link noted in attached BYOD Student Agreement).

I give permission for my child to bring their device to school each day in accordance with the BYOD Student Agreement: *

- Yes

Please list your child's device type (iPad, Macbook, Chromebook etc): *

Serial number of device: *

Parent/Carer Signature: *

BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE (BYOD) STUDENT AGREEMENT 2024

Students must read and sign the BYOD Student Agreement in the company of a parent or caregiver.

I agree that I will abide by the Student Behaviour Code and the school's BYOD policy and that:

- I will ensure no Social Media apps such as TikTok, Facebook, Instagram etc are installed on devices - these apps are only available to children 13yrs and older with the permission and supervision of an adult and so are not permitted
- Any personal games installed on devices must be enclosed in a separate folder and not opened at school
- I understand a "device" includes *laptops, tablets, smartphones and smartwatches or wearable technology*
- I will ensure my device has no SIM card (the SIM card must be removed and stored at home).
- I will not use devices to message or reply to messages received during school hours.
- I will only use the department's Wi-Fi network for learning.
- I will only use my device during school activities at the direction of the teacher. If my devices are not required for educational purposes they will be kept in my school bag on silent mode.
- I will not attach any school-owned equipment to my mobile devices without the permission of the school.
- I will use my own portal/internet log-in details and will never share them with others.
- I will stay safe by not giving my personal information to strangers.
- I will not attempt to hack or bypass any hardware, software or network security implemented by the department or my school.
- I will not use my own device to knowingly search for, link to, access or post anything that is:
 - offensive
 - pornographic
 - threatening
 - abusive or
 - defamatory
 - considered to be bullying
- I will report inappropriate behaviour and material to my teacher.
- I understand that my activity on the internet is recorded and these records may be used in investigations or for other legal reasons.
- I acknowledge that I am responsible for my devices and the school cannot be held responsible for damage or theft.
- I agree that use of my devices during school activities is at the direction of the teacher and they are not to be used in the playground area before school, during recess and lunch.
- I have read and will abide by the NSW Department of Education : *Online Communication Services – Acceptable Usage for School Students*.

[Student Use of Digital Devices and Online Services Policy](https://bit.ly/37iCMfj) URL: <https://bit.ly/37iCMfj>

BYOD Device Requirements

Wireless connectivity:

Primary schools: The department's Wi-Fi network installed in primary schools operates on the **802.11n 5Ghz standard**. Devices that do not support this standard will not be able to connect.

Operating system:

The current or prior version of any operating system.

Software and apps:

School-based requirements. All software and apps should be fully updated.

Battery life:

A minimum of 5hrs battery life to last the school day.

Memory and RAM:

A minimum specification of 120 GB storage and 8 GB RAM *to process and store data effectively*.

Hardware features:

Camera and microphone.

Ergonomics:

Reasonable sized screen and a sturdy keyboard *to enable continuous use throughout the day*.

Other considerations

Casing: Supply a case or skin to protect the device.

Weight: Lightweight for ease of carrying.

Durability: Durable and strong.

System and anti-virus:

Students must ensure they have a legal and licensed version of a supported operating system and of software. If applicable, students' devices must be equipped with anti-virus software.

NSW Department of Education' Wi-Fi network connection only:

Student devices are only permitted to connect to the department's Wi-Fi network while at school. There is no cost for this service. Devices with SIM cards must have the SIM card removed and stored at home.

Battery life and charging:

Students must ensure they bring their device to school fully charged for the entire school day. No charging equipment will be supplied by the school.

Theft and damage:

Students are responsible for securing and protecting their devices at school. Any loss or damage to a device is not the responsibility of the school or the Department.

Confiscation:

Students' devices may be confiscated if the school has reasonable grounds to suspect that a device contains data which breaches the BYOD Student Agreement.

Maintenance and support:

Students are solely responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of their devices.

Ergonomics:

Students should ensure they are comfortable using their device during the school day particularly in relation to screen size, sturdy keyboard etc.

Data back-up:

Students are responsible for backing-up their own data and should ensure this is done regularly.

Insurance/warranty:

Students and their parents/caregivers are responsible for arranging their own insurance and should be aware of the warranty conditions for the device.



7th November 2023

BYOD- Bring Your Own Device Program

Dear 2024 Stage 3 Parents,

From the commencement of 2016, Grays Point PS implemented a full BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) iPad model across Stage 3 (Years 5 and 6). Our vision was to encourage creative and innovative learning opportunities for students using BYOD as a tool to facilitate learning. We will be continuing this program in 2024 and, as such, your child will require a device next year.

We would encourage parents to consider BYOD if making technology purchases for children over the Christmas period, although existing devices are perfectly suitable if they meet our requirements (see below).

In 2016, we addressed issues such as equity (availability of BYOD devices for all students in Stage 3) as they arose and we are pleased to report that issues were minimal and easily overcome. We will continue to endeavour to ensure no child is disadvantaged in this program in 2024. Any concerns may be addressed to Mrs Betts-Smith.

What is BYOD?

Bring Your Own Device, also called bring your own technology, refers to the policy of permitting students to bring agreed upon electronic devices to school, and to use those devices to access school information and appropriate applications for learning.

Benefits of BYOD

Bring Your Own Device aims to improve students' learning experiences both in and out of the classroom. We believe that students and parents should have the flexibility to choose technology that aims to improve students' learning experiences both within the classroom and at home. It can allow students to carry a device that they are familiar with and that has relevant educational software and applications. It will function on the school's secure wireless network allowing students to continue to enrich their learning experience with relevant technologies.

Requirements of your BYOD

While we have historically suggested iPads for use at school, we understand that there are a variety of devices that would be suitable. We also note that this year Kirrawee High School has transitioned away from Stage 4 students (Years 7 & 8) bringing iPads to school to ALL students bringing a laptop device to school. Therefore we will support any device that students bring, however we would recommend it meet the following criteria:

Form Factor – Laptop, convertible device or tablet

Operating System – Microsoft Windows 10 or newer, Apple MacOS Mojave Version 12, Chrome OS or iOS 16

Wifi – Device must have 5GHz 802.11n support or better. This may be advertised as “Dual Band Wireless”, “802.11abgn”, “802.11agn”, “802.11ac” or “Gigabit Wireless”.

Web Browser – computers must run a modern web browser such as Google Chrome, Safari or Microsoft Edge

Protection: A sturdy case and/or screen protector will be required on all devices.

Hardware Requirements: all devices require a microphone and camera + charger. We suggest laptops come with a minimum of 8Gb of RAM and recommend storage is SSD (Solid State Drive of at least 120Gb).

Educational Apps/Software:

The following apps/software will be required to be preloaded to your device. Many of them come with devices post sale or are free. Extra apps/software may be required during the year. We will advise in advance when these may be necessary.

Tablet	Mac/PC
Microsoft Teams	Microsoft Teams
Google Classroom	Minecraft Education Version
Google Drive	iMovie/Windows Moviemaker
Google Docs	Garageband (Mac only)
Google Sheets	
Google Slides	
Minecraft Education Version	
iMovie/Windows Moviemaker	
Garageband (iPad only)	
Epic Kids' Books & Videos	
Google Chrome	

Kind regards,

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Principal