Dear Parents/Guardians

Access to technology is vital in a future-focused learning environment and we have a strong and ongoing commitment to 21st century teaching and learning excellence.

It is for this reason that we have implemented a Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) program for students. The BYOD initiative encourages students to bring their own device to school each day which will ensure that our students are well placed to benefit from an "informative technology rich" learning environment.

MINIMUM SPECIFICATIONS

Only devices meeting the minimum specifications provided below will be able to connect to the College network.

- 8GB of RAM (16GB recommended for use with Adobe Creative Cloud suite)
- Intel Pentium Gold or Ryzen 3 CPU
- Wireless Networking 802.11ac
- 128GB NVMe solid state hard drive
- 6-hour battery life, USB-C charging port
- Windows 10 or 11-Pro or Pro academic (Windows Home is not compatible with the Department of Education network and as such is not recommended to be installed)
- Touch screen with stylus (preferred)
- Robust carry case

Google Chromebook devices are not recommended as they are not compatible with the College network and only operate web version of programs.

REQUIRED SOFTWARE TO BE INSTALLED

- Microsoft 365 – this is a free package for students provided by the Department of Education and currently consists of Outlook on the web, email, calendar, contacts and tasks, and downloadable software applications including Word, Excel and PowerPoint.
- Google Chrome or Microsoft Edge
- Adobe Reader

Please note that other free software or apps may be required to be installed at a later date.

INSURANCE

Students are responsible for the care of the device while at school. We suggest parents/guardians check with their insurance company to confirm level of cover as some contents insurance packages automatically includes devices away from home while others require additional cover.

The College also recommends purchasing a protective case for the device.