



## Bring Your Own Device at Killarney

### What is BYOD

With the end of the government laptop program and as part of commitment to 21st Century excellence in teaching and learning, Killarney Heights High has implemented a Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) program. This refers to a technology model that allows students to bring their own devices to school for learning in the classroom.

It recognises that technology and choices about technology are very much personal and is therefore designed to give you freedom to make technology choices that suit you and all your circumstances.

### How does it work?

All students are expected to bring their own computing device to school as directed by their classroom teachers. The school does not make recommendations as to the model of device students may choose to bring, as personal choice is important. We do, however have a BYOD Checklist, that must be used to ensure the device will work on the school network.

Students do not need to bring their laptops until Week 3. Students will not be using their computers in all lessons, but they will use them as a regular part of their learning across most subjects.

### Support

- The BYOD Technical Support Officer (Lei Song) and Computing Co-ordinator (Sabina Walters) are available to answer questions and to give assistance.
- Free Microsoft and Adobe software is available for all DoE students. Students will be assisted in accessing this and further information is available on our website.
- Students will receive help in downloading and installing this software. However, if the computer has been set to prevent students doing this, it will need to be completed at home.
- Parents are advised to set parental controls on the device:

Windows: Go to control panel and enable parental controls on an existing account or create a new one. Then tick off whatever you need to restrict from the list of programs. You can also block social media websites.

Mac: Go to preferences and then Parental Controls and do the same as above.

- Students are required to sign a User Charter that sets out how the device can be used at school.
- It is the responsibility of the student to take care of the laptop at school, the school will not be liable for stolen items nor any damage sustained to the laptop whilst at school or to and from school. It is recommended that students engrave their laptop with identification and hire a locker so that the laptop can be stored securely at school
- If a family is in financial hardship, please contact the Principal to explain your situation so that your child will not be disadvantaged.

# BYOD Checklist (Bring Your Own Device)

Device Type	Lowest Level Access	Operating System
<p>Laptop, Tablet or convertible device The tablet device must have a physical keyboard attachment.</p> <p>A mobile phone is not an acceptable device</p> 	<p>Android, iPad tablets and Chromebooks may connect to the internet, but are not compatible with all of the software required for learning</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Microsoft Windows 11</li> <li>• Apple Mac with MacOS 11 or newer</li> </ul>
Wireless Connectivity	Basic Memory and RAM	Advanced Users
<p>Device must have 5GHz 802.11n, this is <b>dual band wireless</b> and may be marked as 802.11ac (We also support a/b/g/n – not as reliable and can be slow) <b>If the device is ONLY 2.4GHz, it will not work on our network.</b></p>	<p>Minimum 256 GB storage hard drive space and Minimum 8GB RAM</p> 	<p>Students who study Software Design, Multimedia, IT, D&amp;T, Music, Visual Art, Drama (film), Ext English (film) need the following: Minimum 512 GB storage and Minimum 8GB RAM</p>
Security Software	Other Considerations	Application Software
<p>Purchase and installation of Antivirus Software is not required as both Windows and MacOS comes with one inbuilt. Third party security software may cause internet access issues over the school network.</p>	<p>Durability: Consider the overall durability. Are the keys and inputs sturdy? A case would be useful. Consider accidental loss and breakage insurance and back to base support.</p>	<p>Microsoft Office and Adobe Creative Cloud software used regularly. It is available free for both Mac and Windows devices. Once students have a valid DOE email it can be downloaded via DET Portal.</p>
Battery Life	Hardware Features	Physical Characteristics
<p>Advertised to last 6 hours</p> 	<p>Camera and Microphone These are necessary to participate in many learning activities. Portable Hard Drive: needed for extra backup of HSC major works, particularly if using film. As mouse is useful when working with graphics.</p>	<p>Minimum Screen size 10.6" (27cm) Maximum weight: Under 2 kg</p>