



Mount Annan Public School

Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) *Information Pamphlet*

What is BYOD?

BYOD is a solution where students bring their own device to school in order to access the internet (laptop, tablet, ipad etc).

How will the program work?

Students will be asked to bring their personal devices to school each day for use in the classroom. Classroom programs will be designed to benefit from the use of devices during this period. Devices will be locked in the classroom when not in use and during break times. Devices are to be left in bags before and after school.

What devices are acceptable?

Students can bring a laptop or tablet (no matter what form) such as notebook, PC, Mac, Chromebook, iPads, Galaxy etc.

Unacceptable devices include gaming based devices or smartphones such as Nintendo DS, Playstation Portable and MP3 players, iPhones, iPods and similar hand held devices. These will not be permitted.



Why is MAPS trialling the program?

At Mount Annan Public School we are committed to the development of 21st century learners.

There is evidence and published research on the positive impact of one to one devices per student at school.

Students in these programs have become more self-directed learners and are more engaged and motivated.

We are committed to developing digital literacy, creativity and innovation skills, critical thinking and problem solving skills, communication and collaboration and self-directed learning among students.



Do I have to buy a device?

The program is voluntary; we understand that many students already own a device of their own and would appreciate your support for this valuable program.

We are aware that not every family is in the financial position to be able to purchase technology.

When essential, students without a device can use a school device and will not be disadvantaged.

Who will be involved in the BYOD Program?

One stage 3 class will begin the trial in Term 2, 2016. If successful, BYOD will be rolled out to all of Stage 3 by the end of 2016.



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Who will be responsible for the student's device?

The student will be responsible for their personal device. Parents and students will sign a BYOD policy. The policy can be viewed on the school's website. It is highly recommended that student devices have good quality, highly protective cases.

How will students access the Internet?

Students are required to use the school's wireless internet (student portal) which will initially be set up by MAPS staff and any phone Internet connection such as 4G, 3G, YesG or NextG must be switched