

Bring your Own Designated Device (BYODD) Summary

(to be read in conjunction with the BYODD Guidelines)

Students using portable computing devices at PLC Armidale and accessing the school's network.

Students bringing portable computing devices to PLC Armidale for use in their studies are required to use a device that complies with the minimum standards as set out in Appendix A of this document.

A student who wishes to connect her portable computing device to the school network will need to have the portable computing device configured and software installed prior to bringing the portable computing device to school.

All portable computing devices must have an English language Operating System installed. There will be fee to cover the cost of setting up the portable computing device for network and to contribute to the network upkeep. This fee will be included in the Annual Fee.

It is also extremely important that current and up-to-date commercial grade virus checking software be installed on any computers which may be used to prepare work for email to school or brought to school on CD-ROM or memory stick. No student will be given access to the school's network without the parent/guardian and student signing the PLC Armidale Information Technology Network Acceptable Use Agreement and Wireless Network Users Agreements listed in the Standard Collection Notice.

Portable computing devices are the responsibility of the students who bring them to school. Student portable computing devices should always be in one of two places: with the student, or stored in the student's locker and fastened with a lock. Leaving portable computing devices in unsupervised areas is completely unacceptable.

It is also advisable that portable computing devices brought to school be labelled with the name of the student approved to use them. Portable computing devices brought to school are for the sole use of the students for whom they have been approved. The school will provide best effort technical services for any portable computing device issues not directly related to network configuration.

The school will not accept responsibility for loss or damage of portable computing devices brought to school. Parents are strongly advised to organise comprehensive insurance cover on portable computing devices brought to school.

Appendix A:

Please note changes for 2022 for Junior School.

Each student from Kindergarten to Year 5 will now be supplied with a school iPad for use in the school day (with Year 5 students being able to take devices home).

Year 6 students may bring their own iPad or laptop to school for 2022, however it is hoped that all Year 6 students will move to a laptop from 2023 (see specifications below).

Minimum specification for portable computing devices:

- The device required for years 6 through 12 is an Apple laptop (Pro or Air)
- The device must have WiFi network connectivity
- The device must have
 - 32GB or more memory for a tablet
 - 8GB or more memory with a 256GB disk for laptops
- The device can run any of the following operating systems
 - Apple iOS 12 and later
 - Apple OS-X from version 10.11 (El Capitan) or later (Apple Laptop)
- The device must not run the following operating systems
 - Apple iOS 10 and earlier
 - Apple OS-X 10.10 and earlier
- Students must have the ability to install software as required for college use. This will require administrator access to the machine at times
- The College is licensed for student use of commercial software including Microsoft Office and MalwareBytes endpoint protection. This software is required to be installed on the students' computer at the commencement of their enrolment
- The College will require administrator access to the device to install software packages required by the School. This can be by either
 - enabling such access for the student or
 - providing the relevant password directly to IT for the purposes of installing the software
- Due to the power requirements, charging is not available for the units during the day. A minimum of three (3) hours charge at new is required for the device