

Compulsory BYOT Program



Clayfield College



Clayfield College is committed to enhancing student learning by integrating relevant technologies into teaching and learning experiences. Our strategic intentions identify the need to, 'integrate ICT (Information Communication Technology) and other technologies across the curriculum to enhance learning within and beyond the educational context.' We are doing this through our compulsory BYOT Program, through which students will access, communicate, collaborate, and create in their daily learning experiences. Students from Years 1 - 12, under the direction of their teacher, are required to bring a device to school.

What is BYOT?

BYOT stands for Bring Your Own Technology (which is interchangeable with BYOD - Bring Your Own Device). It is an approach now being preferred in schools around the world, in which the technology that students already possess and use in their daily lives can be utilised in their educational environment to enhance their learning experiences.

Why BYOT?

Clayfield College believes that controlled, appropriate use of technologies will help our students to become:

- Information producers rather than consumers.
- Self-directed learners and collaborative team players.

We believe it is important to guide young people in developing the skills they will need to be productive, responsible digital citizens.

How does BYOT work?

Students are required to bring their own technology devices into the classroom. Students are able to access our filtered Internet through BYOT WiFi.

It is expected that students will bring their devices to school fully charged each day. Students should not expect to be able to recharge in the classroom as there is limited access to power and it can create tripping hazards.

What are the Technical Requirements for BYOT?

The grade your child is in will determine the type of device required. The requirements are:

- Years 1 and 2 - iPads
- Years 3 to 12 - Laptops such as Apple MacBook, Microsoft Surface, HP or Lenovo.

Year 1 and 2 - iPads

iPads with WIFI (no 4G/cellular capability required). This includes iPad, iPad Pro and iPad Air; however, **no iPad minis**.

If you are intending to use a preowned device, the following minimum generations have been set:

- iPad - minimum 6th generation
- iPad Air - minimum 3rd generation
- iPad Pro - minimum 3rd generation

Essential Accessory requirements:

- iPad protective case
- Attachable keyboard

Optional Accessory Requirements:

- Glass Screen Protector
- Apple Pen
- Additional Warranty - AppleCare

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For Years 3 to 12 - Laptops

Students are able to use a wide variety of laptops. The minimum hardware specifications are set out below to ensure that each student can utilise their device efficiently and effectively in the classroom.

Minimum Hardware Requirements:

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| Central Processing Unit (CPU) | Intel i5 Processor (or AMD equivalent) |
| Hard Drive | 256GB |
| Memory (RAM) | 8GB |
| Screen | 13 inch |
| Operating System | Windows 10 on a PC / The latest version of macOS for Macs |

Essential Accessory Requirements

- Laptop Case: for hybrid laptop/tablet devices such as Surface Pro to minimise the chance of damage.
- Laptop Bag: each student should have a padded case for his/her laptop to reduce the risk of damage during transit.
- Headphones: Wired headphones for online learning sessions that involve the use of video or audio. Apple AirPods and wireless earbuds are also acceptable; however, cannot be used in examination settings.

If you are intending to use a preowned device, please ensure it meets the minimum requirements as set out above. For Macs, please ensure the MAC OS X version is 10.13 High Sierra or later.

Student Software

Please do not purchase Microsoft Office when purchasing a computer. All students are provided free access to Microsoft 365 online, which enables the use of all Office applications online and/or install MS Office 365 (both for Windows and Mac) to 5 devices. With this students have access to OneDrive Cloud Storage of 1TB.

Students can also install Adobe Creative Cloud at no charge, which provides access to 20+ desktop and mobile apps and services for photography, design, video, web and more.

New students will be shown how to log in to Microsoft 365 and Adobe Creative Cloud on their first day of school.

Anti Virus Protection

All technology devices must have antivirus software to operate on the College environment. The default product that is provided with Windows 10 (Defender) is sufficient. **There is no need to install or purchase additional anti-virus software.**

Warranty and Insurance

Laptops come with a standard warranty that can range from 1 to 3 years. When purchasing a new computer it is recommended that an extended warranty be purchased, if necessary, to ensure 3 years coverage. A laptop should last at least 3 years in a school environment.

Physical damage is not covered by warranty. It is recommended that Accidental Damage Protection (ADP) insurance is also purchased.

Printing at Clayfield - Secondary School

At the commencement of each school year, each student receives a credit of \$20 for their printing requirements for the year. Costs are currently 5c per A4 black & white and 20c per A4 colour.

New Devices

For those parents who wish to update their child's current device, Clayfield College has sourced bulk buying support from JB HiFi. Parents have the opportunity to purchase and choose from a variety of devices at discounted prices.

The portal link is www.jbeducation.com.au/byod

School code (Parent access): CLAYFIELD2021

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