

BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) At O'Loughlin Catholic College

O'Loughlin Catholic College is committed to providing opportunities to prepare our students to live, work and be successful in the 21st century's world of technology. To facilitate this, our teaching practices at O'Loughlin aim to be student-centred by providing students with the opportunity to become independent learners. At the same time we stress the importance of being able to work in a collaborative situation.

Technology provides students with unique and powerful ways to enhance their learning. Our College supports the use of technology and personal electronic devices for the purpose of enhancing and supporting learning and has introduced BYOD [Bring your own Device] program for all students in 2016. It is not compulsory for students to have their own device but we strongly recommend it.

The BYOD program was trialled with Year 12 in Semester 1, 2015, and then expanded into Year 10 and 11 for Semester 2. It proved successful enough that it has now been opened up to all students.

Students who choose to bring their own device to school will have the advantage of being able to continue their learning in and outside the classroom anywhere, anytime via their personalised device.

BYOD Requirements

The device must meet all of the following requirements:

Antivirus software	Current Antivirus software must be installed. Reliable antivirus/security software can be downloaded free here (https://ninite.com/)
Battery Life	Advertised battery life at least six hours
Operating Systems Physical Systems	Microsoft Windows 7, 8, 10 or newer with current updates. iOS version 10 and newer Minimum Size 9.7" screen Minimum 128 Hard disk space
RAM (memory)	At least 4GB - this is required to be able to run software used by the school. 8GB ram is recommended when using Adobe software
Software Recommendations	Microsoft Office Suite is available free to students from office.com using their 'NT Schools' credentials

Please note:

These devices are NOT considered an acceptable BYOD device

SMARTPHONES, iPods and mp3 players.

Wireless	Students need to have wireless access to NT
Compatibility	Schools internet to do their work

Additional Considerations

- Accidental loss or damage Insurance
- Protective carry case or bag
- Should be permanently labelled with the student's name

Security

Students will be in charge of their own devices. The College is not responsible for lost, stolen or damaged devices. All students are given a locker in which to keep their device. It is up to each student to keep their valuable items safe by locking their lockers. We highly recommend students use a protective case or bag.

O'Loughlin Catholic College is also under no obligation to provide technical support for hardware or software.

Students who choose to bring their own device must:

- Comply with the College Electronics Device & ICT Acceptable Use policy which is available on the O'Loughlin Catholic College website;
- Have read that document and have it signed by the parent/guardian.
 Once signed and returned, the student will be able to participate in the BYOD program.

Students will not be able to use their own device at the College until all of the above requirements have been met.

For any further information regarding systems compatibility contact our ICT Manager, Kris Lambert, at kris.lambert@nt.catholic.edu.au