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Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Student Agreement

Students must read and sign the BYOD Student Agreement in the company of a parent or caregiver unless otherwise directed by the principal.

Please read the following carefully. By signing this document, you are agreeing to abide by the school's BYOD Policy and the points below:

- I will use the department's Wi-Fi network for learning.
- I will use my device during school activities at the direction of the teacher.
- I understand that mobile phones and tablets are not part of Garden Suburb PS's BYOD program.
- I will **only** use my personal device and will respect and not interfere with the property of others.
- I will not take my device into the playground unless for class use, under teacher supervision.
- I agree to take my device home each night and ensure it is fully charged for the following day.
- I will not use my device for text, SMS messaging or device instant messaging during school hours.
- I will not attach any school-owned equipment to my device without the permission of the school.
- I will use my own portal/internet log-in details and will never share them with others.
- I will label my device for identification purposes.
- I will stay safe by not giving my personal information to strangers.
- I will not hack (or attempt to) or bypass any hardware and software security implemented by the department or my school.
- I will not use my own device to knowingly search for, link to, access or send anything that is: offensive, explicit, threatening, abusive, defamatory or considered to be bullying.
- I will report inappropriate behaviour and inappropriate material to my teacher.
- I understand that my activity on the internet is recorded and that these records may be used in investigations, court proceedings or for other legal reasons.
- I acknowledge that the school cannot be held responsible for any damage to, or theft of my device, and that I alone am responsible to ensure the safekeeping/safety of my device at all times.
- I understand that the school provides access to the Department of Education's filtered wireless network and those devices which access other networks (e.g. must be disabled whilst on school grounds).
- I understand Google Classroom is for learning tools and I will not post inappropriate or silly comments.
- I will not use my Department of Education email to socially message other students.

- I understand and have read the limitations of the manufacturer's warranty on my device, both in duration and in coverage.
- I have read the BYOD Student Responsibilities document (attached) and agree to comply with the requirements.
- I have read the BYOD Device Requirements document and have ensured my device meets the minimum outlined specifications.
- I have read and will abide by the NSW Department of Education *Online Communication Services – Acceptable Usage for School Students*.
<https://education.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/policies/online-communication-services-acceptable-usage-for-school-students>
- I understand that my device may be confiscated if the school has reasonable grounds to suspect that it contains data, or is being used in such a manner, which breaches the BYOD Student Agreement.
- I understand that non-compliance with this agreement, the school policy and associated school rules may result in disciplinary action.

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Student Name: _____ Class: _____

Student Signature: _____

In the presence of: _____
(Parent or Caregiver Name)

Parent/Caregiver Signature: _____

Date: _____

BYOD Student Responsibilities

Operating system and anti-virus:

Parents must ensure they have a legal and licensed version of a supported operating system and of software. If applicable, students' devices must be equipped with anti-virus software.

NSW Department of Education and Communities' Wi-Fi network connection only:

Student devices are only permitted to connect to the department's Wi-Fi network while at school. There is no cost for this service.

Battery life and charging:

Students must ensure they bring their device to school fully charged for the entire school day. No charging equipment will be supplied by the school.

Theft and damage:

Students are responsible for securing and protecting their devices at school. Any loss or damage to a device is not the responsibility of the school or the Department.

Confiscation:

Students' devices may be confiscated if the school has reasonable grounds to suspect that a device contains data which breaches the BYOD Student Agreement.

Maintenance and support:

Students are solely responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of their devices.

Ergonomics:

Students should ensure they are comfortable using their device during the school day particularly in relation to screen size, sturdy keyboard, mouse etc.

Data back-up:

Students are responsible for backing-up their own data and should ensure this is done regularly.

Insurance/warranty:

Students and their parents/caregivers are responsible for arranging their own insurance and should be aware of the warranty conditions for the device.

BYOD Device Requirements

Wireless connectivity:

The department's Wi-Fi network installed in primary schools operates on the **802.11n 5Ghz standard**. Devices that do not support this standard will not be able to connect.

Operating system:

The current or prior version of any operating system.

Software and apps:

School-based requirements. All software and apps should be fully updated. Chrome is an essential requirement on all BYOD.

Battery life:

A minimum of 5hrs battery life to last the school day.

Memory and RAM:

A minimum specification of 16 GB storage and 2 GB RAM *to process and store data effectively*.

Hardware features:

Camera and microphone.

Ergonomics:

Reasonable sized screen (minimum 11 inch) and a sturdy keyboard *to enable continuous use throughout the day*.

Other considerations

Casing: Tough and sturdy to avoid breakage.

Weight: Lightweight for ease of carrying.

Durability: Durable and strong.

Accessories

Carry case: Supply a carry case or skin to protect the device.

Insurance and warranty: Be aware of the terms of insurance policies/warranties for the device. The school will not accept responsibility for loss or breakage.

Back-up storage: Consider a portable hard drive as an appropriate source of back-up storage for essential documents