

## BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) & eLearning for Year 5-8 Students in 2020 - in a nutshell

**GSuite** - All Year 5-8 students have access to GSuite (Google for schools): Gmail, Drive, Docs, Slides, Sheets, YouTube and other Google tools - eg currently Blogger for developing personal portfolios.

**The school strongly recommends that each student BYOD in 2020.** This is not compulsory, but would be of great benefit for our students and teachers. The reasons are so that we can provide an up to date curriculum for all students. Schools are no longer able to provide enough equipment for everyone.. We recommend two Acer Chromebook models available from Cyclone, our preferred supplier, as suitable devices.

**GOALS** focus on HOW and WHAT we learn, about the **PERSON**, NOT on the device

- Personalise learning
- Flexible learning - time and place
- Developing digital citizenship capabilities
- Choice of tools with which to learn
- Increased student voice - student expression of ideas and opinions, having influence on decisions that affect them
- Connecting learning to family and wider community - interaction encouraged
- Increased opportunities for **creative** expression AND critical thinking, alongside literacy, numeracy, oracy and fundamental knowledge development

**The school will provide** access to some older devices for each learning space for those students who are unable to access their own machine. The school cannot afford to lease or purchase a device for every child, so by your child having their own device, they benefit by not having to share.

Although we strongly recommend that **each** child brings a device, and also recommend a specific device, **we do understand that everyone's needs and finances are different, and ask that you come and discuss with us how we can help make BYOD work for you and your child.** Some families have more than one child in the Year 5-8 area, some families already provide some other BYOD device.

### BYOD DEVICES

- MUST come to school **CHARGED EVERY** day once advised by teachers next year, with paperwork signed by parents of new BYOD students - storage is provided during breaks or non-use times
- Must be named.
- Students do NOT share their device with other students, only their screen, and the child must be accountable for not letting another student 'borrow' their device.
- Are NOT used for everything your child does at school. Still use pen and paper, other tools, activity etc.
- School is NOT responsible for BYOD devices and their care. Student and parents have responsibility and need to provide their own insurance cover (cover can be provided for Chromebooks purchased through the Cyclone Portal).

**Devices** are required to have the following **FEATURES**:

- Portable (light) and have a protective case.
- Internet capability through wifi.
- 'Good' battery life - bring fully charged each day - limited charging available at school.
- Larger screen and keyboard (not phone size). Bluetooth keyboard may be useful for iPads, but is not necessary.

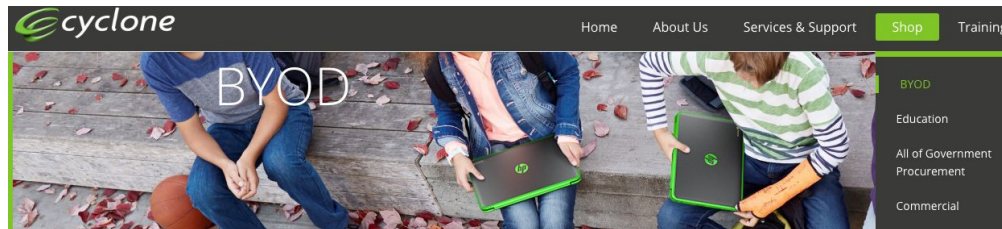
- The student is to use and sign into the **Chrome browser** where possible when at school.

**PURCHASING** - Consider purchasing a recommended chromebook from Cyclone's web portal, or use what you already have, or purchase through retail, specials.

<http://www.cyclone.co.nz/byod>

**Springston School** from the dropdown menu

**Password** = ssbyod



**RECOMMENDED DEVICES FOR 2020**(see Cyclone BYOD portal above for details about these two Chromebooks):

### **Acer Chromebook 311 (C733) 3yr Warranty + Bag Bundle**

\$531.00 Inc GST

#### **Bundle offered by our preferred supplier Cyclone:**

- Acer Chromebook 311 C733 [32GB] QUAD CORE [ ACNXH8VSA002F81 ]
- 3 Year Return to Depot Manufacturer Warranty
- Ace Always On Cargo Carrying Durable Hard Case - Black with 3 year warranty [ STM117176K-EDU ]
- 3 year Material Damage Insurance (\$0 Excess)] [ SSMDP36-400 ] +shipping

OR

### **Acer Chromebook 11 N7 (C731) 3yr Warranty + Bag Bundle**

\$651.00 Inc GST

#### **Bundle offered by our preferred supplier Cyclone:**

- Acer 11 N7 (C731) Chromebook [ ACNXGM8SA002F81 ] -Touch screen, 360 degree flatten
- 3 Year Return to Depot Manufacturer Warranty
- 3 Year Material Damage Insurance (\$0 excess)
- Case - with 3 Year Warranty [ MNSL003 ] +shipping

### **PLEASE NOTE**

- Only Year 5 and new students need to sign BYOD forms - but conditions will be covered in class with all students & apply to the care and use of ALL devices - Use is only for LEARNING under teacher guidance.
- Photography and other **recording** is only with teacher permission.
- Permission form required for any new devices being brought to the school environment - we need evidence of permission from a parent, and serial number. Teacher signs device into BYOD wifi network.
- Digital citizenship licence test needs to be passed (100%); rigor and accountability by students.
- Monitoring of student use through Linewize filtering and site-blocking, Hapara Teacher Dashboard and Hapara's Highlights feature, GSuite email filter. GSuite suspensions, YouTube blocks as required...

**Any questions or queries, please come and talk to us.**

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