

Dear Parents/Guardians,

**Empowering Education: The Benefits of Bringing Your Own Device (BYOD)**

We hope this letter finds you well and excited for the upcoming school year at Baldivis Secondary College. As we embrace the ever-evolving landscape of education, we want to highlight the advantages of students bringing their own devices (such as iPads or laptops) to school, fostering a more dynamic and personalised learning experience.

- 1. Personalised Learning:** By bringing their own devices, students can access a range of digital resources tailored to their learning needs.
- 2. Familiarity and Comfort:** Students often feel more comfortable using their own devices, which they are accustomed to. This familiarity can reduce technical barriers, allowing them to focus on their learning tasks and collaborate seamlessly.
- 3. Enhanced Collaboration:** Bringing personal devices to school encourages peer collaboration and teamwork. Students can work together on projects, share ideas, and develop essential communication skills vital for the modern world.
- 4. Real-world Technology Skills:** In an increasingly digital world, proficiency in using technology is a crucial skill. By bringing their devices, students gain hands-on experience in navigating digital tools, preparing them for future academic and professional endeavours.
- 5. Flexible Learning:** Personal devices enable access to online resources, e-books, and educational apps like Education Perfect and OLNA WA, providing students with opportunities for self-guided learning beyond the classroom.
- 6. Responsibility and Ownership:** Bringing their own devices encourages students to take responsibility for their learning tools. This fosters a sense of ownership and accountability, contributing to their personal growth.
- 7. Resource Efficiency:** Utilising personal devices reduces the school's need to provide and maintain a large number of devices, allowing us to allocate resources more effectively.
- 8. Preparation for the Future:** By using their own devices, students adapt to the technology-rich environment of the 21st century, better preparing them for the world beyond school.
- 9. Digital Literacy:** Bringing personal devices fosters the development of essential digital literacy skills. Students learn to critically evaluate online information, practise responsible online behaviour, and navigate digital tools effectively.

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**10. Emphasis on Organisation:** Personal devices empower students to stay organised through digital note-taking, task management, and calendar apps. This skill is invaluable for effective time management and academic success.


While we encourage students to bring their own devices, we understand that individual circumstances vary. If providing a personal device poses challenges, rest assured that your child will still have periodic access to a device at school.

We are excited about the opportunities that personal devices bring to our learning community at Baldivis Secondary College. Together, we can nurture a generation of confident, tech-savvy, organised, digitally literate and adaptable learners. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out to us.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership in providing the best educational experience for your child.

Sincerely,

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Alison Parolo', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Alison Parolo  
Principal