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Re: Bring Your Own Device

Dear Parent/Carers

From next week we are inviting all students to bring in a suitable device to use in class. This is not compulsory and students will not be disadvantaged if they do not bring a device into school.

All lessons will continue to be delivered on Google Classroom, this is a long-term strategy for the school and will ensure continuity of learning should we have to close or isolate year groups.

If you purchased a device from school we expect students to bring their devices into school in their cases and have their names clearly marked somewhere on device or case.

If your child has their own device, please check the guidance for suitability and complete the <u>BYOD</u> <u>consent form</u> before allowing your child to bring their own device into school. The form also ensure access to wifi is permitted.

Some devices will be available to support learners without their own device in school, whilst others will work on paper and upload content to Google Classroom at home.

There will be limited charging available, so it is essential students bring in their devices fully charged. If available, students may also bring headphones to support with any recorded audio tasks.

As you can imagine we are expecting approximately 500 devices on site during the course of next week. It will take time for staff and students to adapt to new ways of working, however our staff are looking forward to getting students back where they belong in the classroom and utilising the advantages of technology in the classroom.

If you haven't already, please help our planning by completing the following form so we know which students are bringing a device in to school. <u>BYOD survey.</u>

We will be offering another portal to purchase a Chromebook via school after Easter for the new intake and existing students.

Thank you all again for your continued support during these challenging times and I look forward to welcoming your children back to school next week.

Yours sincerely

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