



Whakatane High School Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) 2018

Whakatane High School operates an optional BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) policy in support of 21st Century Learning and digital fluency. We use the G Suite For Education platform and encourage students who choose the BYOD option to bring a Chromebook for use at school in alignment with the Google platform for anywhere, anytime, any pace learning. The school will assist with setting up BYOD Chromebooks and devices with appropriate network and security settings for in-school use. The school is able to provide a limited number of Chromebooks to students who are unable to bring their own.

The Harmful Digital Communications Act 2015 makes harmful digital communication a criminal offence under New Zealand law. Students must also adhere to the Whakatane High School Cybersafety agreement. Students will be empowered to use communication technology safely with respect for themselves and others.

This agreement covers students who access any digital device using the school network, or within the school grounds, whether it is on a school device or a student's personal device.

The agreement also covers students using digital devices on a cellular communication network recognising that respectful, non-harmful communication is a requirement of conduct for all students, regardless of what equipment is used.

Students will be able to access G Suite For Education for learning, creation, collaboration, storage and communication, along with other education technology, via the school network, from home and beyond.

Instructions for connecting cellular devices to the school network are provided in classrooms. We encourage students to take advantage of this and not use their own data plan.

We have prepared for BYOD with site-wide wireless, improved internet access via the N4L network inclusive of monitoring and filtering systems.

Personal Device Security

Whakatane High School will endeavour to provide a safe environment and suitable security arrangements for those occasions when it is required. The device must be password protected. Students must set up Find My Phone or similar GPS device finder.

The security of a student-owned device is the responsibility of the student. Lockers are available with power points inside so devices can be secured and charged; students must bring their own padlock for the locker.