



Carnegie Primary School

2025 BYOD Information

Rationale

In 2024, we introduced the Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) program to CPS to provide students with a greater degree of choice when using technology at school.

We are very pleased to report that students who have thus far participated in the program have found having access to their own technology at school highly beneficial for their learning. In 2025, the BYOD program will again be offered, this time to students from years 3 to 5.

How to participate in CPS's 2025 BYOD program

We have chosen LWT as our preferred supplier as they offer a range of laptops that are very reliable and compatible with the programs used by the school. LWT has long been a supplier of technology for Carnegie Primary School. They offer a range of devices with the option to increase power and performance if desired.

There is no obligation for families to purchase a BYOD device and students who are not participating in the BYOD program will continue to have access to the school's existing laptops and iPads.

Students who already have a laptop at home are permitted to use this device in the BYOD program, so long as it meets the [minimum requirements](#) set out in the school's BYOD guidelines (see below). Please note that Chromebooks, Macs and tablets **cannot** be used as part of the BYOD program.

We ask that any parent who plans to participate in the BYOD program in 2025 can please inform the school of your intention by completing [this survey](#). *Those families who participated in the BYOD program in 2024 need not complete the survey.*

Any laptops NOT provided by LWT will need to be submitted to our IT technician for approval and may require additional software and configuration prior to their use at school.

For any further questions please see the FAQ [here](#).

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Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Guidelines

At Carnegie Primary School, we aim to provide students with a learning environment that supports them to achieve their best. With the continual integration of digital technology into almost all areas of learning, the need to provide students with equal access to technology has never been more important. In 2024 we are trialling a BYOD program by allowing parents of students in Year 3/4 to purchase or provide a laptop for them to bring to school.

Through the BYOD program, we plan to increase student access to digital technology across our school and enhance teaching and learning outcomes. We will be partnering with our preferred supplier, Learning with Technologies (LWT), to provide access to a range of devices and services that we believe will support families in this process.

By using a 'school preferred device' purchased through the LWT portal, the device your child receives will have a high level of security and be compatible with our school's existing digital infrastructure.

The provision of this program is accompanied by a high level of support, provided from both our school's IT team and through the preferred supplier should there be any issues with the device over the coming years.

The key advantages of purchasing a preferred device through the LWT portal include:

- Guaranteed device compatibility
- Necessary software preinstalled
- Streamlined network and printing access
- Comprehensive warranty and onsite technical support

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We encourage you to visit the LWT online portal, review the devices and to consider whether they meet the needs of your child.

- Orders placed by **the final week of school 2024** will be handed out in the first week of Term 1 2025.

Should you have any questions or require further assistance, do not hesitate to reach out to our school.

To purchase a device from the **Learning With Technologies** please complete [this survey](#) and choose the LWT portal option.

The following are the devices available to purchase from the LWT portal and are widely used across schools in Australia, ensuring maximum compatibility.

**Lenovo 500w Yoga Gen 4 -
12.2" N100 8GB 128GB**



In Stock

\$638.00 inc GST

12.2" Touch Notebook designed with robustness in mind for education use with the new N series processor and an Active Stylus for writing.

**Lenovo 500w Yoga Gen 4 -
12.2" N200 8GB 256GB**



In Stock

\$812.00 inc GST

12.2" Touch Notebook designed with robustness in mind for education use with the new N series processor and an Active Stylus for writing.

**Acer TravelMate P214 14"
Notebook - Core i5 13th 8GB
512GB**



In Stock

\$1,219.00 inc GST

A 14" business notebook from Acer with powerful i5 processor.

SCREEN

12.2"

Touch Screen (1920x1200)

12.2"

Touch Screen (1920x1200)

14"

Non-Touch (1920x1200)

CPU

N100

Intel Processor N100 - 4 Cores, Up to 3.4GHz

N200

Intel Processor N200 - 4 Cores, Up to 3.7GHz

i5

Intel Core i5-1335U - 10 Cores, 2 up to 4.6GHz

Finance and lay-by options are available through the portal when checking out a device. Credit card payment requires 3D authentication and may not work for overseas credit cards and some prepaid credit cards. In these cases you can choose to download the invoice and then call 1300 550 717, ask for the LWT accounts team and pay over the phone.

Any laptops NOT provided by LWT will need to be submitted to our IT tech for approval and may require additional software and configuration.

1. Introduction

BYOD is a program that enables students to bring their own device to school each day.

2. eSafety and student Acceptable Use Policy

Safety is of the utmost importance whenever students are using digital technologies. When implementing our BYOD policy, guidance on students' appropriate use of technology is provided in the Acceptable Use Agreement (See Year 3 to 6 Acceptable Use Agreement). The Acceptable Use policy is applicable to all student devices when brought to school.

School Leadership will retain the right to determine what is, and is not, appropriate use of devices at the school within the bounds of the department's policies and eSafety commissioner guidelines and other legislation. Use of devices at school will be governed by school-developed policies. These may change at short notice based on changes in guidance from the DET.

Students are provided with the Acceptable Use Agreement at the beginning of each school year. Within this document guidance is provided around the acceptable use of technology and the consequences of any breaches of this policy. Students gain access to their school accounts on the successful return of this document with parent consultation.

General guidance:

- Students must comply with departmental and school policies concerning the use of devices at school while connected to the department's Wi-Fi network.
- Mobile phone voice and text, SMS messaging or device instant messaging use by students during school hours is **not acceptable**.
- Students should not attach/connect/hotspot any school-owned or BYOD equipment to their mobile devices (within school hours) without the permission of the school principal or an appropriate staff member.
- Students must not create, transmit, retransmit or participate in the circulation of content on their devices that attempts to undermine, hack

or bypass security mechanisms that have been implemented by the Department of Education or the school.

- Students must not copy, transmit or retransmit any material that is protected by copyright, without prior permission from the copyright owner.
- Students must not take photos or make video or audio recordings of any individual or group without the express written permission of each individual (including parent/caregiver consent for minors) being recorded and the permission of an appropriate staff member.
- Students must not use the school's network services to seek out, access, store or send any material of an offensive, obscene, pornographic, threatening, abusive or defamatory nature. Such use may result in disciplinary and/or legal action.
- Students and their parents/caregivers must be advised that activity on the internet is recorded and that these records may be used in investigations, court proceedings or for other legal reasons

Where the school has reasonable grounds to suspect that a device contains data that breaches the BYOD Student Agreement, the principal may confiscate the device for the purpose of confirming the existence of the material. Depending on the nature of the material involved, school disciplinary action may be appropriate or further action may be taken including referral to the police.

The consequences of any breaches of the school's BYOD policy will be determined by the principal in accordance with relevant Department policies and procedures and accepted school practice

3. School provided infrastructure:

In line with the department guidelines Carnegie Primary School is able to provide students with:

- Access to the school's wireless network
- Access to a DET Google Account allowing access to the full Google suite of applications

- Access to DET licensed copies of Microsoft Office Suite

Students must:

- Ensure they use the device in line with the school's Acceptable Use Agreement (See CPS Senior Years Acceptable Use Agreement)
- Only use applications, websites and services during school hours that are in line with learning tasks
- Ensure their device is labelled with their name and class
- Ensure their device is brought to school each day fully charged in a case

4. Long-term care and support of devices:

Students and their parents/caregivers are solely responsible for the care and maintenance of their devices.

- Students/families are responsible for ensuring the operating system and all software on their device is legally and appropriately licensed.
- Students/families are responsible for managing the battery life of their device. Students/families should ensure that their devices are fully charged before bringing them to school. Schools are not responsible for (or restricted from) providing facilities for students to charge their devices.
- Students/families are responsible for securing and protecting their device in schools, and while travelling to and from school. This includes protective/carry cases (we suggest Otterbox Defender) and exercising common sense when storing the device.
- Students/families should clearly label their device for identification purposes. Labels should not be easily removable.
- Students/families should understand the limitations of the manufacturer's warranty on their devices, both in duration and in coverage.

5. Insurance and device damage or loss

Student devices are not covered by the school. We suggest families add devices to their home and contents insurance.

Students bring their devices onto the school site at their own risk.

Extended warranty coverage and additional insurance are available when completing purchase on the LWT Portal.

6. Technical support

- Carnegie Primary School is able to provide technical support through the school's onsite Specialist Technician to ensure all students have access to the school eduSTAR wireless network and Microsoft Office.
- In order to support devices effectively parents/carers are requested to meet the minimum technical specifications set out in Device requirements below.
- Parents should be advised that the amount of technical support for personal devices that can be provided by the school is limited.

7. Minimum device requirements

The minimum device requirements for a BYOD are:

- Device to be modern - Recommended to be no older than 12-18 months
- Utilising the Windows 10/11 Home or Pro (not S mode) operating system
- Wi-Fi ac/a/b/g/connectivity
- Bluetooth connectivity
- A minimum of 4Gb of RAM
- 11+" sized screen minimum
- A minimum of 128Gb storage space
- Ample battery life (ideal 9 hours to get through the day and be charged at home overnight)
- Functional keyboard and touchpad (mouse)
- Anti-virus software operating and device clean from malware, virus, etc.
- Carry/protective case
- Device to boot and run at a quick and reasonable speed (to avoid lag time in class) Microsoft Office Suite including Word, PowerPoint, Excel (can be installed by the school if needed)
- A functional headphone port
- No or minimal games or non-educational software installed

- Compatible with NAPLAN software

Please be aware that:

Apple laptops, iPads and Chromebooks will not be accepted as part of the BYOD program as they cannot be supported by our technical support team. Technical support cannot be provided unless the device was purchased through the preferred providers portal.

8. Backup and data recovery

The management of software and data ultimately resides with the students.

- Apps photos and other content may accidentally be deleted. Please regularly backup your device.
- It is the Parent's/Guardian's responsibility to backup data

Useful Contacts

The Children's eSafety Commissioner website contains information to support security and device management and Digital Citizenship.

<https://www.esafety.gov.au/>