Bring Your Own Designated Device (BYODD)
A Peakhurst Public School Initiative

In 2015 Peakhurst Public School is implementing a BYODD program for all Stage 3 students. This is in line with the school’s vision of developing 21st Century learners. Many local high schools have already implemented their own Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) programs. Peakhurst Public School is preparing students for their future schooling.

The school’s BYODD Program enhances the opportunity for our students to enter a new world of curriculum possibilities, enabling seamless learning between home and school. Students will learn to develop and demonstrate the knowledge, skills, practices and attitudes necessary to be an engaged, robust, 21st Century citizen capable of shaping our future.

Seamless learning will allow students to participate in the practice of a flipped classroom. The flipped classroom inverts traditional teaching methods, delivering instructions online outside of class and moving “homework” into the classroom. At home students view material set by the teacher, which may include videos, virtual excursions, websites, etc. at their own pace, communicating with peers and teachers via online discussions. During class, the teacher will assist students in completing tasks and activities based on the knowledge gained from the homework.

The diagram below compares the traditional classroom to the flipped classroom.
Peakhurst Public School Requirements

Peakhurst Public School will require all Stage 3 students to bring an iPad, iPad mini or any tablet that has access to Google Play or the App Store. Wi-Fi only devices are preferable. However 3G and 4G versions are accepted providing these capabilities are deactivated during school hours. Students will also be required to bring a pair of headphones. A protective case is advised.

It is our recommendation that only the parents have knowledge of the app store account details, especially the password, for your protection. You will always be notified before a new app needs to be downloaded. No child will ever be asked to download a new app while at school.

The following apps are required – If you are purchasing an Android tablet and an app listed below is not available, please purchase the closest match possible;
- Pages (free)
- iMovie (free)
- iBooks (free)
- Mathletics (free)
- Book Creator ($6.49)
- Explain Everything ($2.99)
- Any draw program (free)
- Pic Collage (free)
- Edmodo (free)
- Quick Math ($0.99)
- Quick Math+ ($1.99)
- School A to Z (free)
- Verso (free)

Students and parents will need to sign a specific BYODD policy, which highlights the rights and responsibilities for all Stage 3 students.

If you have questions please contact a member of the PPS Tech Team – Natalie Zell, Jenny Hosking, Ashleigh Maclachlan and Kirby Harrison.

Please contact Mrs Geelan if you require support for the BYODD program.

Thankyou and we look forward to you being a part of this new initiative.

PPS Tech Team

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