



BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE

Responsible User Agreement for Sixth Form students

Relates to the Mobile Technology, Internet and Cyber-Bullying, Information and Communications Technology Policy and Internet and Email User Agreement

Mobile learning lets students move towards personalised anytime/anywhere learning, with access to the wealth of information and resources on the web at their fingertips. Bring Your Own Device programmes allow students to use their own devices as part of the school day. For the purpose of this responsible user policy we consider BYOD to apply to any communication device [mobile phones] or a device that gains access to internet facilities. This could include lap tops, tablets, iPads, iPods, mobile phones, Smartphones, Kindle and/or any other similar device.

- No student will be allowed personal technology devices unless this agreement is signed by parent or carer and student and returned.
- Students, parents and carers participating in BYOD, must adhere to all school policies relating to the use of ICT and mobile technology.
- Students take full responsibility for their devices. The school is not responsible for the security of personal technology. Personal devices cannot be left on school property before or after school hours.
- Students must have the relevant insurance which covers the device for the use whilst at school.
- Students using their devices for internet access will be required to agree to follow our policy each time they access the internet.
- Devices cannot be used during tests or exams.
- Student must immediately comply with the teachers request to shut down or close devices. Devices must be in silent mode and put away when asked by teachers.
- Personal devices must be charged prior to bringing them to school and run off their own batteries while at school.
- To ensure appropriate network filters, students will only use the school internet connection and will not attempt to by-pass this.
- Students must make sure that their device is virus protected and is not capable of infecting the school network.
- Students realise that printing from some personal devices may not be possible.
- Students should not share their device with other students, unless they have written permission to do so
- Mobile phones can only be used in the Sixth Form block and not in Digby Court. Students may not use their mobile phones in corridors or when travelling around the main building. Mobile phones should be switched off in lesson times and on silent at all other times. Mobile phones are a distraction and checking for texts is distracting for learning. If a student uses their mobile phone during a lesson or on a corridor it will be confiscated.
- The school retain the right to confiscate and examine any device
- The school will inform parents or guardians of any misuse and in some cases, if confiscated, only return the device to the parent or guardian.

- Students will not be able to access support from the IT technicians with technical issues and all maintenance and IT support is the responsibility of the student.
- Please understand that the use of personal devices to support educational experience is not a necessity but a privilege. With respect of the rules, this privilege will benefit the learning environment as a whole. When rules are abused privileges will be taken away.
- I understand and will abide by the above policy and guidelines. I further understand that any violation is unethical and may result in the loss of my technological privileges as well as other disciplinary action.
- Students who do not have access to their own device may be able to book out a device via the sixth form reception.

Reference

<http://www.sec-ed.co.uk/best-practice/byod-in-10-steps>