

Part 4: Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) and Wi-Fi Policy

Note: This policy should be read in conjunction with other ICT policies, in particular the Acceptable Use Policy

By facilitating Bring Your Own Device (BYOD), Parmiter's aims to further embed the use of technology in learning.

Our objective is to enable students to use safely their own technology to further their learning, should they wish to. This may involve using a personal computing device to support their independent study or, on the instruction of the teacher, in lessons. At present, this will be ONLY for use by 6th form students or in lessons where the use of a personal device is established practice. We hope for expansion across the whole school in future years.

Use of any device is at the discretion of the teacher and all students must use the device as directed.

Information for Students:

- Prior to bringing a personal device for the first time, students and their parents are expected to read this policy, which sets out the responsibilities and expectations for use of personal devices at Parmiter's. By bringing a device into school students and parents are accepting the terms of this policy.
- Students must use their device in accordance with the school's Acceptable Use Policy.
- Students must follow teachers' directions as to appropriate use of their devices in class and **MUST NOT** get out the device unless instructed by a teacher. Using a device without permission will result in the device being confiscated (refer to confiscation procedures in school behaviour policy)
- Students must connect their device to the designated wireless data network supplied by Parmiter's. Students must not connect to any other network, wired, wireless or cellular. Students must not bridge the Parmiter's designated network to any other network.
- Use of the device during the school day is at the discretion of teachers and staff. Students must use their device only as directed by their teacher.
- The device should **ONLY** be used for educational purposes.
- Devices must be brought to school fully charged. The school does not provide facilities to charge devices.
- All communication through internet and online communication services must be related to learning.
- Each student is solely responsible for the care of and their conduct on their device whilst:
 - at school or at other school activities
 - travelling to and from school or to and from other school activities.
- Students are encouraged to clearly label their device; devices must be covered by a home insurance policy.

Information for Teachers:

- Teachers should encourage and facilitate the use of students' devices in their classes where they deem it appropriate. **Use of students' own devices in class is, however, at the sole discretion of the teacher.**
- Teachers should be aware that not all students own such devices and provision should be made such that all students can access the activities in the lesson.
- Teachers should follow standard discipline procedures if a student is using a device without permission.
- Students from all year groups who have been identified via the Curriculum Support department are able to use their devices where appropriate.
- Heads of Year and Key Stages will inform staff if students are permitted to use a device in lessons due to medical reasons to enable them to access the curriculum.

Information about Parmiter's School role:

The School:

- Will provide a wireless network with filtered internet connection to which students may connect their device.
- Does not provide **ANY** support to assist students with establishing network connectivity with the BYOD device.
- Accepts no responsibility or liability for loss or damage to, or for maintenance or repair of, a student's device.
- Does not provide any insurance cover for personal devices brought to school.