

# Cellphones and BYOD

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## Chosen Bible verses

Corinthians 10:31. "So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God."

Matthew 6:22-23. "The eye is the light of the body; so then if your eye is clear, your whole body will be full of light. But if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness."

Jesus tells us that we will become what we watch with our eyes. If we view good things, this will help us be good. But if we view evil things, this will encourage us to be evil.

1 Corinthians 15:33. "Do not be deceived: 'Bad company corrupts good morals'"

Psalms 101:3. "I will set no wicked thing before mine eyes."

## Cornerstone Christian School Values

Digital technology use allows students to demonstrate and develop their integrity in their interactions with the technology.

## Rationale

Digital technology is a modern vehicle to assist learning. Digital technology is ubiquitous in the modern world and students need to be well versed in its use in order to be well prepared to enter the modern world as adults and as learners.

## Aims

To improve learning and increase the breadth of learning activities by providing safe access to digital technology.

To allow students to personalise their learning through use of their own device.

## Guidelines

- 1 Modern digital devices and a digital network will be provided by the school for all year levels.
- 2 Access to cloud based computing will be provided by the school.
- 3 Students must sign the computer acceptable use policy
- 4 The school will operate a BYOD policy for Year 6-13. This will not be compulsory, since the school will provide devices, however, if parents wish to have personalised digital learning for their child then having a personalised IT device is a necessity.
- 5 The school will provide guidance as to what devices can be purchased.
- 6 Devices will only need to be web browsers with some memory capacity since the school will coordinate student files etc. in Microsoft Office 365 in the cloud.
- 7 Any devices brought to school must be accompanied with parent permission in writing and their maintenance and effectiveness is solely the responsibility of the parents (not the school).
- 8 No 3G or 4G activity will be permitted on school grounds since this will bypass the school's firewall and will negate the school's ability to keep people cybersafe.
- 9 As a result of no. 8, no 3G or 4G capable devices will be permitted to be visible on site (this includes smart phones).
- 10 Students will be allowed to have concealed phones in their bags for use in case of emergency situations, however if these are seen in non-emergency situations they will be confiscated and returned to the student only in the presence of their parent or caregiver.

- 11 Any poor behaviour while using a device will be considered a disciplinary issue in the school and will be dealt with according to the school's behaviour management procedures and the computer acceptable use policy.
- 12 Students are not to take recordings of any description (e.g. still, video or audio) of any person without their express permission.
- 13 Music is only to be listened to with the express permission of the teacher. Failure to adhere to this may result in the confiscation of the device and its return only in the presence of their parent or caregiver.
- 14 Students are not encouraged to use their devices at lunchtimes or at interval unless they are catching up on classwork.