



## CCS BYOD - Recommendations

Further to the letter parents/caregivers of 2019 Y7-13 students received regarding BYOD, this document outlines the specific details for BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) recommendations.

Firstly, thank you for taking the time to consider this purchase. Approximately 120 students used a BYOD in 2018. Almost all of these were Windows laptops and a small number were 'Apple Macs'. Our experience has shown that both of these work well, on our network. If your student/s already have a BYOD, that is great, please disregard this letter.

We have selected two Windows laptops that we believe will be both great in performance and excellent value for money. The cheaper of the two options will suit the vast majority of students. The other model is recommended for those who anticipate a higher requirement for digital work. For example, students who plan to take Digital Technology or Photography.

If you do not wish to purchase either of the selected models, we have some minimum system requirements that are set out here:

Attribute	Minimum Specification
Operating System	Windows 8 (10 Recommended) or Mac OS
Screen Size	11.6" (12 or more Recommended), Touchscreen would be well used
HDD or SSD	64Gb (128 or more Recommended)
Memory	4Gb (8 Recommended)
Battery life	4 hours (approx.)
Stylus	Either included with laptop or purchased separately (if touchscreen)

There are several laptops available on TradeMe that will be well suited to the above, usually selling for around \$250-400 in good condition. If you choose this option, you can often get a higher performing laptop for the same price as the cheaper laptop we have selected. If you are looking for something second-hand, we recommend the following brands – HP, Asus, Lenovo or Apple.

Purchasing options:

1. Online purchase – [byod.co.nz](http://byod.co.nz) (Credit Card or PayPal), Password – ccs123
  - a. Lenovo Yoga 300e - \$459 + GST = \$528
  - b. Lenovo Thinkpad i3 - \$765 + GST = \$880
2. Your choice (see above table of specifications)

The school has a Lenovo Yoga N24 unit (very similar to the 300e) for families to view. It will be kept at the Front Office (from around Week 5, Term 4). You are welcome to come and have a look, when you get a chance.

Please direct any further queries to Paul Jorgensen ([paul@cornerstone.ac.nz](mailto:paul@cornerstone.ac.nz))

Thank you for your support as we work towards our goal of having a BYOD for every Year 7-13 student.